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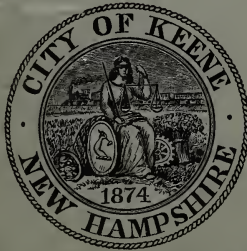
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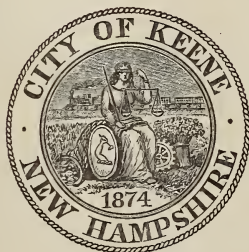
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ORGANIZATION OF CITY GOVERNMENT.

TUESDAY, January 6, 1903.

The members elect of the city government for the municipal year of 1903, having met for organization agreeably to the provisions of the city charter, the convention was called to order by His Honor Francis A. Perry, at ten of the clock in the forenoon. The oath of office by law prescribed was administered to the mayor-elect, James S. Taft, by Hon. John E. Allen, who then introduced him to the aldermen and councilmen present. After roll-call by the clerk, His Honor Mayor Taft administered the oath of office to the following named members of the boards of aldermen and councilmen, to wit:

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

- Ward 1.—ORVILLE E. CAIN.
- Ward 2.—CHARLES W. MORSE.
- Ward 3.—OSCAR D. BEVERSTOCK.
- Ward 4.—CADMON D. ROBERTSON.
- Ward 5.—HERBERT L. TENNEY.

BOARD OF COMMON COUNCIL.

- Ward 1.—HENRY C. ALLEN.
JAMES E. CHANDLER.
HARRY D. HOPKINS.
- Ward 2.—HARRY T. KNAPP.
EVERETT N. COLBY.
GEORGE W. SARGENT.

- Ward 3.—BURTIS L. PARKMAN.
GEORGE B. ROBERTSON.
JUSTUS L. RICHARDSON.
- Ward 4.—BYRON E. ROBERTSON.
AMASA O. AMIDON.
HENRY E. C. SPENCER.
- Ward 5.—HARVEY E. HUMPHREY.
JOSEPH MADDEN.
EDWARD L. HOLMAN.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Alfred H. Wheeler, after which the mayor delivered his inaugural address.

After the prayer and inaugural address, Frank H. Whitcomb was elected clerk, and Joseph F. Emmons, city messenger, and the councils then adjourned until 7.30 o'clock.

At 7.30 o'clock p. m., the common council organized by the choice of Burtis L. Parkman, as president, and Herbert O. Wardwell, clerk.

THE MAYOR'S INAUGURAL.

Gentlemen of the City Councils:

In asking your attention for a few moments to some matters appertaining to the duties we assume today, I am impressed with the thought that our city is but a large business corporation; that our citizens are shareholders therein; that our constituents have elected us their directors and managers for the ensuing year with the hope and expectation that their affairs will be administered faithfully, impartially, economically, and upon sound business principles. They will be satisfied with nothing short of this. Expecting that you, gentlemen, at the beginning of the year, look to your executive for a plain statement of facts as he has found them, entirely divested of sentiment, let us at once take up the subject of finance.

FINANCE.

Nothing severely derogatory to our credit can be truthfully said when our obligations sell in open market on a par with our large and most prosperous New England cities. It becomes our duty to maintain this high standard of credit. Let us congratulate ourselves that we start with a clean sheet; with no debts against the city unprovided for. It is unnecessary for me to enter into detail by giving you the figures at this time, which

cannot be remembered. The city reports of the different departments are at hand awaiting every voter and taxpayer. I recommend a most careful study thereof, as they will promote intelligent action in the future.

It will be noticed our indebtedness has increase the past year, \$12,494.50, notwithstanding the payment of \$15,000 of railroad gratuity bonds. This increase was caused by the issuance of bonds to the amount of \$25,000 with which to pay for the new dam at Roaring brook, and the South Keene extension of the water works of which I will speak hereafter, making our total indebtedness December 1st, \$216,108.43. It will also be noticed that we have maturing the coming year, \$15,000 in railroad gratuity bonds. I recommend that these be paid from any money in the treasury not otherwise provided for.

By referring to the annual report, you will note an uncollected tax item for the years 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, amounting to \$8,658.78; also about \$1,400 in water rents. Is it not pertinent for you to inquire how far this large amount can be treated as a live asset? If a large proportion of these taxes cannot be collected, should they not be abated? Is it not a manifest injustice to our citizens who are in the habit of paying their taxes promptly? I am of the opinion that no one man can faithfully perform the duties of tax collector, collector of water rents, street sprinkling, and at the same time act as liquor agent. The liquor agent is required to spend so many hours in his office, that he has no time to look up delinquent taxpayers. I expect this matter will receive the attention its importance demands.

You will also notice in the item of assets, as of December 1st, that we have deposited in Cheshire Provident,

Keene Five Cents and Guaranty Savings banks, \$15,920.12. This is the gross amount as shown by the books of the several banks. The net amount to be realized therefrom and the time of such realization are both problematical.

HIGHWAYS.

This is one of our most important departments and one requiring large expenditures annually. The increasing call for good roads makes large demands upon our treasury, which will continue for years to come, or until our city and suburban roads are brought to a much higher standard than now exists. I believe the policy of laying macadam is a wise one, and should be extended, as fast as our means will permit, until every street in the congested portion of our city be so treated. The cost may seem large; but if, after once laid, it is properly cared for by filling the slight depressions as they occur, I believe in years to come the wisdom of the outlay will be fully demonstrated. For detailed report of this department see reports of highway commission and superintendent of streets.

WATER WORKS.

The annual report of our water commissioners, superintendent of water works, and the special committee empowered by the city councils of 1902, to construct the new Roxbury water supply, is replete with interest to every citizen who has the welfare of our city at heart. And our unmeasured thanks are due these gentlemen for the prompt and thorough manner in which they have brought to completion this most important and valuable addition to our system. The new dam across Roaring brook is 140 feet long over all and 20 feet high. Most

substantially constructed of granite and concrete, the basin created by the dam is capable of holding nearly three million gallons, or enough to supply our city about two days, with a prospective increase sufficient to supply 25,000 persons if properly used. The pipe from the new dam is laid via South Keene to Marlboro street, which has for so long been needed, and is already yielding considerable revenue.

BEAVER BROOK.

I am told this water way is again becoming clogged and the free passage of water impeded. It seems that in from three to five years a considerable sum must be expended to keep the brook in a healthy condition, when, if carefully looked after, only a small yearly outlay will be necessary. This brook drains everything east of and including Court and Main streets, and is a very important matter. I recommend that this brook be placed in the sewer and drain system and by that department properly cared for.

POLICE.

Upon the efficiency of the police force, backed by a law abiding people, depends the good name and welfare of our city. That there is a feeling of unrest and dissatisfaction with the present operations of this department is evidenced by the large petition of our citizens and taxpayers to a former board, asking for a more efficient service. The numerous incendiary fires, which have occurred of late cause a feeling of deep concern. Insurance companies have refused and will continue to refuse risks in our city. New business enterprises will shun us until a more settled condition prevails.

Where the difficulty lies, if any exists, I am not prepared to state. Our city ordinances plainly and clearly define the duties of the police force. If any of our present officers, for any reason, are unwilling to render cheerful obedience at all times they should decline a reelection. I know I voice your opinions, gentlemen, in saying, good order in our city must and shall be preserved.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The report of the chief engineer is entitled to careful consideration. I am of the opinion that our fire department is well managed, and in excellent shape, with few exceptions. The building on Vernon street needs repairing without delay. The same is true of some of the rolling stock, which should be attended to this winter while out of use. I believe it is better policy to keep this department up to a high standard, rather than allow it to run down to a point where we encounter a large outlay and an impaired service. Additional hose is needed at present. I recommend that you carefully investigate the matter of modern fire equipment, as suggested by the chief engineer.

THE POOR.

This department of our city, is, in my opinion handled with due regard to economy, while extending a helping hand in a generous manner to the unfortunate. The present winter, on account of the shortage of fuel and its advanced cost, will bear somewhat heavily upon some of our citizens. Under these conditions the poor must be remembered with a more liberal hand.

OUR HOSPITAL.

I am informed that this most noble institution is excellently managed, and entitled to our aid, as heretofore. Through the generous liberality of the heirs of our greatly esteemed citizen, the late Edward Joslin, we have a most important addition to this institution, nearly ready for occupancy, the Edward Joslin Home for Nurses. This building is complete in every detail, substantially built, ornamental in appearance, comfortable and homelike. It will soon become a home to those whose fortune it may be to care for the sick and afflicted.

PARK SYSTEM.

By referring to the annual report, page 133, it will be seen that through the generosity of the ladies and one of our citizens who began the setting of shade trees in our city before some of us were born, we have become possessed of a large acreage, viz: 218 acres for park purposes which greatly adds to the beauty, comfort, and health of our inhabitants. And while by the terms of the gift, they do not require a large yearly outlay to keep them in condition required by the donors, yet constant care and supervision must be exercised to prevent depredations upon young growth and destruction by fires. Is it too much to ask that every citizen will take a personal interest in the preservation of these most valuable natural properties?

SHADE TREES.

Our shade trees are the pride of our city; unequalled by those of any town or municipality with which I am familiar. It becomes our duty to carefully guard and protect them.

Permit me to call your attention to chapter 26 of our ordinances. This ordinance was designed to protect them; but does it operate effectively in preventing indiscriminate cutting? I recommend that you consider whether or not some more stringent measures be adopted, either by electing a tree warden with experience and education in this line, or by placing our shade trees under the care and protection of the park department.

I find nothing in the other departments to which your attention need be especially called.

Gentlemen, I have called your attention to the foregoing matters briefly; superficially, because I must. I would not draw any moral at this time. You know, we all know, why we are placed in our present positions. I calculate our constituents had some work they wanted performed. They thought we would do it faithfully, economically, conscientiously. Without further ado, let's go about it!

CITY GOVERNMENT.

KEENE, N. H.

1903.

MAYOR.

JAMES S. TAFT.

CITY CLERK.

Frank H. Whitcomb.

ALDERMEN.

Ward 1.—Orville E. Cain.

Ward 2.—Charles W. Morse.

Ward 3.—Oscar D. Beverstock.

Ward 4.—Cadmon D. Robertson.

Ward 5.—Herbert L. Tenney.

COUNCILMEN.

- Ward 1.—Henry C. Allen.
James E. Chandler.
Harry D. Hopkins.
- Ward 2.—Harry T. Knapp.
Everett N. Colby.
George W. Sargent.
- Ward 3.—Burtis L. Parkman, *President*.
George B. Robertson.
Justus S. Richardson.
- Ward 4.—Byron E. Robertson.
Amasa O. Amidon.
Henry E. C. Spencer.
- Ward 5.—Harvey E. Humphrey.
Joseph Madden.
Edward L. Holman.
Herbert O. Wardwell, *Clerk*.
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The City Councils meet on the first and third Thursdays of each month, at 7.30 o'clock p. m.

The City Auditor sits every Saturday from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 o'clock p. m., to examine and allow claims.

The Mayor will be at his office, No. 3, City Hall, every Saturday, from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p. m.

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES.

Finance.—The Mayor, Alderman Robertson, Councilmen Chandler and Madden.

Schools.—Alderman Cain, Councilmen Colby and Hopkins.

Lands and Buildings.—Alderman Morse, Councilmen Knapp and Spencer.

Bridges.—Alderman Beverstock, Councilmen Sargent and Richardson.

Streets.—Alderman Beverstock, Councilmen Allen and Humphrey.

Burying Grounds.—Alderman Tenney, Councilmen Chandler and Hopkins.

Fire Department.—Alderman Cain, Councilmen G. B. Robertson and Colby.

Street Lights.—Alderman Morse, Councilmen Allen and Holman.

Water Works, Sewers and Drains.—Alderman Cain, Councilmen Sargent and B. E. Robertson.

Printing.—Alderman Morse, Councilman B. E. Robertson and Amidon.

Engrossed Bills.—Alderman Tenney, Councilmen G. B. Robertson and Holman.

Public Parks.—Alderman Robertson, Councilmen Amidon and Richardson.

Public Library.—Alderman Robertson, Councilmen Knapp and Humphrey.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Bills on Second Reading.—Aldermen Cain, Tenney and Morse.

Licenses.—Aldermen Robertson, Beverstock and Morse.

Police.—Aldermen Morse, Cain and Robertson.

Claims.—Full Board.

COMMON COUNCIL.

City Hall.—The Mayor, Councilman Knapp and City Messenger Emmons.

Elections and Returns.—Councilmen Madden, Richardson and Amidon.

Bills on Second Reading.—Councilmen Allen, Colby and Spencer.

CITY OFFICERS.

CITY AUDITOR.

Charles H. Hersey.

CITY SOLICITOR.

John E. Allen.

CITY TREASURER.

Arthur L. Wright.

COLLECTOR.

Ainsworth M. Nims.

CITY MESSENGER.

Joseph F. Emmons.

CITY MARSHAL.

Lester K. Stiles.

CITY OF KEENE.

CONSTABLES.

George Cole.
Joseph F. Emmons.

Lester K. Stiles.
Andrew J. Sweeney.*

Fred A. Lewis.*

POLICE JUSTICE.

Lewis W. Holmes.

CITY PHYSICIAN.

John D. Proctor.

SEXTON.

Walter E. Mason.

OVERSEER OF POOR.

Edward H. Fletcher.

SUPERINTENDENT OF CEMETERIES.

Walter E. Mason.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS.

George H. Eames.
Sidney C. Ellis.

James F. Morse.†
Warren B. Fitch.‡

* Resigned.

† Deceased.

‡ Elected April 2, 1903, duly sworn, April 6, 1903.

SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS.

Elmer A. Nims.

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Norris G. Gurnsey.

George W. Fisher.

Charles M. Norwood.

SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS, SEWERS AND DRAINS.

Paul F. Babbidge.

Assistant, John A. Denison.

PARK COMMISSIONER.

George A. Wheelock.

LIBRARIAN.

Myra F. Southworth.*

Carrie E. Read.*

ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN.

Florence G. Russell.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Alfred T. Batchelder.†

William P. Chamberlain.

Horatio Colony.

Mrs. Maria R. Osborne.

Herbert K. Faulkner.

Charles H. Hersey.

Mrs. Wm. H. Elliot.

Miss Kate L. Tilden.

Mrs. Wm. H. Prentiss.

Thaddeus W. Harris.

Miss Florence M. Spalter.

Miss Mary B. Dinsmoor.

* Resigned.

† Deceased.

CITY OF KEENE.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Herbert K. Faulkner, *Chairman*, term expires January, 1905.

Leonard Wellington, *Clerk*, term expires January, 1906.

Charles G. Shedd, term expires January, 1904.

INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING.

Paul F. Babbidge.

BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

Herbert K. Faulkner.

Leonard Wellington.

David W. Mitchell.

ASSESSORS.

Daniel R. Cole.

Frank K. Jewett.

Henry W. Nims.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Frank H. Whitcomb.

CHIEF ENGINEER.

Fred W. Towne.

ASSISTANT ENGINEERS.

Edward P. Carrigan.

Louis A. Nims.

Joel H. Tenney.

SUPERINTENDENT OF FIRE ALARM.

Joseph F. Emmons.

POLICE OFFICERS.

George Cole.	Elmer A Nims.
Andrew J. Sweeney.*	William Cotter.
Harry F. Buckminster.	Amasa Plastridge.
Wyman Lawrence.	Frank E. Joy.
John E. Wyman.	Charles A. Chapin.
Ervin J. Davis.	Fred A. Bowen.
Charles Wright.	Charles S. Wright.
Joseph F. Emmons.	Loren W. Adams.
Burtis L. Parkman.	John P. Flanagan.
Sidney C. Ellis.	Henry W. Nims.
William S. Tuttle.	Fred A. Lewis.*
Samuel O. Gates.	Herbert W. Keyes.
Garrett J. Landers.	Fred H. Locke.
Frank X. Harmon.	Dennis J. Foley.
James E. Wood.	Robert E. Tolman.
James B. Duffy.	William J. Wheelock.
William H. Philbrick.	Elmer L. Willard.
Manly W. Jones.	George H. Staples.
Charles Reid.	Harvey M. Bartlett.
William H. Reyoum.	Joseph E. Groat.
George E. Forbes.	John A. Burrows.
Charles H. Mason.	Henry G. Cram.
Charles L. Sanborn.	Levi W. Farwell.
Henry C. Allen.	George M. Derby.
Fred H. Blanchard.	E. Zac Saunderson.
Harvey E. Humphrey.	George W. McDaniels.
George L. Geen.	Everett W. Farwell.
Ralph W. Randall.	Fred I. Wetmore.
James G. Allen.	Edwin A. Libby.

* Resigned.

Charles W. Scripture.	Levi M. Fay.
Leon V. Aldrich.	John H. Scripture.
	Edward Perusse.

SURVEYORS OF WOOD.

Cadmon D. Robertson.	Freeman A. White.
Mortimer Riordon.	Henry L. Barrett.
James H. Smith.	Manly W. Jones.
Zebina K. Graves.	Amos N. Wardwell.
Franklin H. Fay.	Sylvanus H. Holman.
Frank E. Joy.	William J. Sewall.
John W. Nye.	Fred S. Barker.
Joseph Chase.	John F. Green.
Herbert R. Raymond.	Henry I. Wyman.
Clinton J. Smith.	Adolphus M. Ross.
William H. Reyoum.	Edwin E. Chase.
Jarib S. Herrick.	Joseph F. Emmons.
George E. Forbes.	Albert R. Haskell.
	Edward H. Fletcher.

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER.

John W. Nye.	Henry L. Barrett.
Henry N. Stone.	Manly W. Jones.
Daniel P. Thompson.	Amos N. Wardwell.
Franklin H. Fay.	Sylvanus H. Holman.
James H. Smith.	Frank W. Smith.
Joseph Chase.	Franklin L. Howe.
Herbert R. Raymond.	Fred S. Barker.
Adolphus M. Ross.	John F. Green.
Milan H. Johnson.	Henry I. Wyman.
Samuel S. Quinn.	Charles H. Mason.
Freeman A. White.	Clinton J. Smith.
Oscar B. Blake.	Edward E. Chase.

Jarib S. Herrick.	William H. Reyoum.
George E. Forbes.	Edward H. Fletcher.
Albert R. Haskell.	

WEIGHERS.

Herbert A. Woodward.	Henry Giffin.
Norris G. Gurnsey.	Lorin W. Towne.
Everett N. Colby.	Edward H. Newell.
Burtis L. Parkman.	Fred T. Pearson.

FENCE VIEWERS.

Daniel R. Cole.	Daniel A. Brown.*
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WARD OFFICERS.

MODERATORS.

Ward 1.—Charles G. Shedd.
Ward 2.—Franklin H. Fay.
Ward 3.—George F. Stone.
Ward 4.—Fred E. Howe.
Ward 5.—Robert J. Patten.

CLERKS.

Ward 1.—Ainsworth M. Nims.
Ward 2.—Albert W. Spaulding.
Ward 3.—Hiram F. Newell.
Ward 4.—Walter T. Nims.†
 Sidney Conant.‡
Ward 5.—John E. O'Connor.

* Deceased.

† Resigned.

‡ Appointed by Selectmen, May 5, 1903, and duly sworn on May 6, 1903.

CITY OF KEENE.

SELECTMEN.

- Ward 1.—Walter E. Bullard.
Luther B. Randall.
George B. Wheelock.
- Ward 2.—Wilbur B. Knight.
Bertram A. Powers.
George E. Poole.
- Ward 3.—William H. Cross.
Royal V. Bryant.
Frank B. Sawyer.
- Ward 4.—Clarence L. Wheeler.
Harry L. Lewis.
Walter C. Ellis.
- Ward 5.—William T. Shea.
George W. Gowitzke.
Albert H. Hamblet.
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SUPERVISORS.

- Ward 1.—John P. Flanagan.
- Ward 2.—Henry W. Nims.
- Ward 3.—Loren W. Adams.
- Ward 4.—Joseph F. Emmons.
- Ward 5.—James B. Duffy.*
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BALLOT INSPECTORS.

- Ward 1.—Theodore H. Bolio.†
Herbert A. Davis.
James E. Heffron.
James F. Kelley.

* Removed from ward, 1903.

† Deceased.

- Ward 2.—Liberty W. Foskett.
George D. Holland.
Obed M. Holton.
William J. O'Connell.
- Ward 3.—Wilton H. Spalter.
William C. Hall.
Virgil A. Wright.
William T. Winn.
- Ward 4.—Jedediah C. Estabrook.
Daniel E. Hathorn.
Benjamin F. Allen.
Edward J. Carr.
- Ward 5.—Ellery E. Rugg.
Cornelius E. Sullivan.
Charles A. Madden.
James M. Coffee.
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WARD CANVASSERS.*

Herbert A. Davis.	Rufus S. Graves.
Liberty W. Foskett.	Fred W. Knight.
Albert W. Green.	William T. Winn.
Jedediah C. Estabrook.	Andrew J. Sweeney.
Charles P. Pitcher.	Albert H. Hamblet.

*Appointed by Chairman of Board of Supervisors of check list. Duly sworn, Oct. 31, 1903.

KEENE, 1753—1903.

INDEPENDENCE DAY AND INCORPORATION DAY CELEBRATED TOGETHER.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FORMATION OF A TOWN GOVERNMENT.

Keene held on Saturday the most successful celebration in her history, when the 150th anniversary of the formation of the town government and Independence Day were fittingly observed.

In happy contrast to the almost incessant rain of the centennial celebration of 1853, the day was a perfect one with clear skies, moderate temperature and a light, refreshing breeze.

The main streets of the city and its Central square and business section were in gala attire. The public buildings and business blocks were elaborately decorated and along the line of march of the procession private residences were handsomely trimmed, the decorations being practically continuous.

An immense crowd of people were present, numbering, it is estimated, from ten to twelve thousand in addition to our own population, making over twenty thousand people in the city. The visitors comprised many who are here for a few days with friends as well as thousands who came to town for the day. Our streets are so broad

and roomy that there was no unpleasant crowding and the throng conducted itself in an entirely orderly manner, the total absence of drunkenness and rowdiness being notable.

The police were well organized for the day and did efficient work in every field where they were needed. The city marshal, at his office, was in touch with all his men. The local force was augmented during the day by six experienced officers from Nashua who did excellent work in preserving lines and keeping order during the parade, anniversary exercises and at the railroad station.

The day was a particularly fortunate one in its freedom from accidents of all kinds, including those usually due to explosives. No injury of any account was reported. The ambulance was stationed during the morning at city hall, with horses attached, ready for emergencies, and in the evening, during the fireworks, near Elisha F. Lane's residence on Main street.

All the features of the day passed off most successfully. Notable among these, from a spectacular point of view, were the parade in the morning, the living flag by the children in the afternoon and the fireworks in the evening.

A concert was given by the City band of Rutland at the driving park at 7 o'clock, and on the platform on Central park the American band of Claremont played about an hour early in the evening. The Knights of Pythias band of Bellows Falls also played on Main street and on Church street in the afternoon and evening. All the bands were ready to do even more than was asked of them and the Rutland band was disappointed that arrangements were not made for them to give a concert on the common in the afternoon. This would doubtless have been done had the committee known the fire department exhibition had been ordered off. The mayor did not like to make a run in such a crowd and there was no chance to throw water because of the decorations. Among the bands that of the L. J. Colony Chair Co. of Munsonville

was noticeable for its good playing and full quota of instruments.

The Fourth was preceded by a general celebration by the young people and their elders which began at dark and continued until towards midnight. Firecrackers, bombs, tin horns and all sorts of noise producers were everywhere in evidence. The city was well policed in all quarters and there were no demonstrations resulting in disturbances. The request that bonfires be omitted on account of the decorations was enforced without difficulty, and on the whole the night before was one of the quietest and most orderly for years.

The celebration of the day began at sunrise with the ringing of bells and firing of guns. People not living too near the Square noticed how prettily our six church bells, which are keyed to avoid discord, sounded as they rang together. At 10.30 came the grand parade, with its beautiful floats, marching bodies and trades displays, lasting until noon. At 1 o'clock there was a ball game at the Keene Driving Park and at 3 o'clock another on the Island street grounds.

The exhibition for the fire department was ordered omitted, as elsewhere stated, and a great many people were disappointed on that account. At 4 o'clock came the 150th anniversary exercises, at 7, band concerts were given, and at 8.30 the fireworks display took place at the driving park.

As a rule visitors reached Keene without great difficulty. The special trains arriving over the Boston & Maine line from 9 to 10 were crowded, and there were not cars enough on several of them. A large number were left at Troy and it was reported that others were left on the Nashua division. It is estimated that the various steam trains brought in 7000 people. The electric road must have brought in 1000 or more and large numbers came by private conveyances.

The beginning of the Fourth of July celebration was

in the suggestion of Mrs. Wm. F. Holbrook that the various women's clubs join in organizing a parade of the school children. Mr. Thomas C. Rand in an article in the Sentinel several months ago urged the celebration of the sesquicentennial. From these two beginnings taken up by the city government and committees of the citizens, gradually grew the grand celebration of the day with its many features.

THE GRAND PARADE.

A RECORD BREAKING DISPLAY OF BEAUTIFUL FLOATS, EXCELLENT TRADES EXHIBITS, FIREMEN, MILITARY AND TRADES ORGANIZATIONS AND FRATERNAL SOCIETIES.

The grand civic and military parade which began at 10.45 and continued until 12.15, covering a route a mile and a half in length, was by all odds the finest ever given in Keene. Out of town people and others who have witnessed similar displays in other cities are enthusiastic in its praise and speak especially of the beauty of the floats and like exhibits, which few have seen excelled. The excellent organization, under Chief Marshal Babbidge and his efficient aids, was most commendable. The line moved promptly at 11.45 and would have marched at 10.30 but for a late train bringing participating organizations. While marching it took the line 30 minutes to pass a given point. A spectator counted over 1300 persons in the line and 245 horses.

The features of the parade were the quality of the displays, which were of a high order, the variety of the exhibits, comprising so many beautiful floats, the ingeniously fashioned engine of the railroad men, the business men's displays and the different types of marching bodies, such as militiamen, firemen, school boys, secret societies, workmen's organizations, cowboys, Indians, etc. The following was the order of the parade:

Chief Marshal, Paul F. Babbidge. Capt. Fred E. Howe, chief of staff. Aids—Red Men, F. E. Joy; Odd Fellows, C. C. Thomes; Maccabees, Sam Whitney; Monadnock Cycle Club, D. C. Cahalane; Keene Light Guard Battalion, Company H, Capt. E. C. Barker, Company G, Lieut. E. Z. Saunderson; First Infantry, Capt. J. P. Flanagan; Sons of Revolution, Rev. A. H. Wheeler; Foresters, W. F. Pepper; Metal Mechanics, George H. Carpenter; Machinists, W. W. Sawyer; Boiler Makers, Patrick Murphy; John Sedgwick Post G. A. R., Dr. B. T. Olcott; Cheshire Grange, F. E. Safford; French societies, Alford Messier; Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias, Lieut. J. B. Wadleigh; Sons of Veterans, Perley E. Safford. Each officer was dressed in the uniform or regalia of his order. Company of mounted cowboys, Howard Gorges, captain.

FIRST DIVISION.

Major E. M. Keyes, marshal. Aids—C. A. Kingsbury, J. A. Peabody, A. T. Messer, M. F. Jones.

City Band, Rutland, Vt., 25 pieces; J. Henry Ingalls, leader; J. E. Casey, drum major.

Keene Light Guard Battalion, 80 men, Capt. J. Carlon Reed, commanding. Company H, Lieut. Henry G. Cram; Company G, Lieut. Walter C. Ellis.

Battalion of school boys from seven to fourteen years of age, comprising five companies armed with wooden guns and wearing cadet caps, light shirts and dark trousers. Commander, Col. Robert M. Clark; majors, Henry M. Sutton, Karl D. Sabin. Original company, Chas. W. Bundy, captain; Karl W. Hyland, Edwin O. Upham, lieutenants. Tilden school—George Hammond, captain; Chas. Stone, lieutenant. Lincoln and Washington schools—Chas. Fiske, captain; Frank Burgum, lieutenant. Elliot school—James Fletcher, captain. Parochial school—Gustavus Laurent, captain. The battalion consisted of from twenty-five to forty boys to a company who were drilled to execute several movements of the manual and to march by fours,

company front, etc., the original company being most proficient.

Carriage decorated in red, white and blue, carrying six members of John Sedgwick Post G. A. R., with colors, etc.

Keene Fire Department with apparatus, Chief Fred W. Towne, commanding. Concord wagon with chief and driver; Deluge hose wagon; Button steamer; No. 1 ladder truck; Amoskeag steamer; steamer hose wagon; No. 2 ladder truck. The apparatus was in the pink of condition and the city horses and their trappings were in like good order, the business-like and excellent appearance of the department eliciting frequent comment.

Sons of Veterans commanded by Col. Carl H. Foster, state commander, Peterboro.

Camp Gen. Griffin, Keene, 20 men; A. W. Morey, captain, H. L. Lewis, E. B. Russell, lieutenants.

Antrim Camp, 17 men; Capt. Whitney, Lieutenant Carter.

Hillsboro Bridge Camp No. 15, 35 men; Capt. Bert Cram, Lieutenant Daniel Cole.

Bennington, N. H., Camp, 5 men; Capt. Geo. P. Hill, Lieutenant Scott.

Peterboro Camp, 8 men; Capt. H. B. Burns, Lieutenant Murphy.

SECOND DIVISION.

Capt. M. V. B. Clark. marshal, wearing uniform of Red Men's League. Aids—M. J. Gorham, Geo. B. Wheelock, Geo. F. Domina, Benj. Vigneault.

Knights of Pythias Band, Bellows Falls, Vt., 15 pieces; Joseph Faichney, leader; Wm. Lowe, drum major.

Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias. John H. Brown Company, Keene, Truman E. Smith, captain, John H. Brown, George W. McDaniels, lieutenants, 32 men; Bellows Falls Company, Capt. Ingram, Lieuts. Isham and Fuller, 28 men.

Wood and Chapman's Drum Corps, Keene, 6 pieces.

Union Canadienne Francaise, Peter Bouvier, marshal and staff, namely, Napoleon Fortier in costume representing Gen. Lafayette, Leon Bouvier, Antoine Vigneault, Benj. Vigneault. Aids—Antoine Dubois, Arthur Dubois, Joseph Beaudreau, Ephriam Duhaine.

The float of the Association Canado-Americaine and St. Jean Baptiste societies was a handsome one trimmed with quantities of flowers and green. In the centre was a huge maple leaf in front of which sat a child representing Jean Baptiste with his cross. On the outer corners rode four young ladies attractively dressed in white and holding streamers from the top of the maple leaf. Stands of colors on the sides and ends of the float added to the effect.

Barouche containing President Colbert Auger of St. Jean Baptiste Society, President Paul Pluffe of Cour St. Bernard, Association Canado-Americaine, Rev. Father Dennis A. Ryan and Rev. T. J. Finning.

Two carriages containing the older and prominent members of the French societies of Keene. The above named societies forming the Union Canadienne Francaise, numbering 150 men and wearing the badge of the union, marched in two divisions under Lient. Woods and Vigneault.

L. J. Colony Chair Company Band, Munsonville, 26 pieces; Charles L. Barrett, leader, Frank Gibson, drum major.

Court Ashuelot, Hinsdale, Foresters of America, F. J. Young, commander; 50 men.

Float of Companions of the Forest, Keene, drawn by two black horses, tandem, and trimmed with white and yellow. On top of the canopy was an eagle. On the back and sides of the float were trees and in the centre a deer, while the heads of other deer could be seen among the foliage. The officers of the society rode in the float.

Court Ashuelot Drum Corps, Hinsdale, 15 pieces; G. W. Smith, leader; Ernest Causner, drum major. The corps uniform was dark red.

Court Winchester, of Winchester, 40 men.

Keene Matchless Drum Corps, 5 pieces; F. H. Tyler, manager; George Avery, drum major.

Court Minnewawa, Marlboro, 40 men.

Court Gen. Wilson, Keene, 50 men; in command of William J. Flanagan, J. W. Kennedy and W. J. Callahan.

Representatives of Wm. French Court, Bellows Falls, and Mt. Beloil Court, Winchendon, accompanied the Foresters.

Keene Commandery, United Order of Golden Cross, represented by Geo. F. Stone as a mounted knight in the full regalia of the order.

Float of Independent Order of Red Men, Keene, followed by thirty mounted braves in full Indian paint and costume, riding single file; W. G. Wheelock, acting great mishinewa, commander.

The float was a large one drawn by four horses and represented a council fire, around which sat a chief and a number of braves in full costume, while in the centre was a pale-face bound to a stake to be burned, with a fire at his feet. Evergreens surrounded the float, representing a forest, and the colors of the decorations were the red, orange and blue of the order.

THIRD DIVISION.

John F. Clark, marshal. Aids—A. A. Farnsworth, Fred G. Isham, Frank Harkins.

Wheeler's band, Bellows Falls, Vt., 25 pieces; G. B. Wheeler, leader; Henry Blake, drum major.

Keene Circle No. 83, Allied Metal Mechanics, 70 men; John H. Shea, captain; George Gowitzke, lieutenant. Neat uniform consisting of white caps, overalls and jumpers of blue with narrow white stripe.

Engine 150, Boston & Maine railroad, train 1903. This locomotive, built for the occasion at the Keene shops, consisted of a straight boiler with stack, head light, bell, domes, cab and tender, the driving wheels and cylinders

being represented, the bell ringing and the whistle being frequently blown by compressed air. In the cab, which was fitted with gauges, oilers, levers, etc., sat Engineer Henry Underwood of Keene, who has run on the Cheshire branch 40 years, and Patrick Ryan, a veteran fireman. The engine was drawn by four horses, the driver standing on the pilot. Its colors were black with yellow trimmings and gold lettering and numbers. It was the most ingeniously constructed float in the parade and extremely realistic although built largely of wood and light materials.

Old Homestead Lodge No. 319, International Association of Machinists, 30 men, A. S. Foster, captain; George Stoddard, Chas. Stevens, L. E. Drummer, lieutenants. Uniform of blue drilling with black caps.

Mt. Monadnock Lodge No. 371, National Boiler Makers and Iron Ship Builders of America, 30 men, C. F. Johnson, captain. The men wore black shirts and caps and blue overalls and each carried a hammer over his shoulder. The railroad men were noticeable for their good physique, free, swinging step and good marching.

Elegant 6-horse tally-ho coach from Leominster, Mass., drawn by handsome black horses with white trappings and carrying sixteen prominent railroad employees.

FOURTH DIVISION.

The historic and society floats not accompanying marching organizations, and business men's exhibits comprised the fourth division, commanded by Dr. Burton C. Russell, marshal; Col. Geo. M. Rossman, E. H. Joslin, Frank Huntress, aids. The American band of Claremont, 25 pieces; A. M. Leonard, director, Col. J. C. Timson, drum major, was at the head of the division.

First in line came an automobile section consisting of nine carriages trimmed with great taste and carrying ladies and gentlemen. The prevailing colors were green and white, the costumes of the ladies corresponding with the carriage decorations. Crepe paper and flowers were

used for the trimmings. The flowers on W. R. Porter's carriage were chrysanthemums with asparagus plumes, Mr. Strand's colors were Nile green combined with white and silver tinsel, Mr. R. T. Kingsbury had a butterfly design nicely worked out, Mrs. H. T. Kingsbury's carriage was covered with hydrangeas, Mr. F. E. Kingsbury's with lotus flowers and plumes of pampas grass, and Mr. E. E. Whitcomb had a tennis decoration with a racquet for a canopy and a net around the carriage. Mrs. Joslin and Mr. Whitman had white and green decorations and C. E. Smith of Athol had his auto in line. The floats and trade displays came next, as follows:

Friendship Rebekah Lodge, I. O. O. F., had the first float, representing Rebekah at the well. It was a large one, drawn by six white horses with harnesses of green and pink and an attendant leading each horse. On the float were numerous palms and a well by which stood Rebekah and Eliézer. The float was trimmed with green and pink, the Rebekahs' colors, on a white ground.

The float of Beaver Brook Lodge was designed to represent a lodge room with officers at their stations in regalia. The colors were pink, blue and scarlet, on a white ground. Through the hangings could be seen the altar and a burlesque of a candidate "riding the goat." Among the officers in the float were George K. Wright of Keene, an Odd Fellow since 1852 and a member of the centennial celebration committee of 1853; also Warren W. Stone, an Odd Fellow for 60 years.

The Monadnock Encampment float represented the sacrifice of Abraham. The float was decorated with purple and orange on a white ground. In the centre was an altar under which was a lot of fagots and upon which lay Isaac, while over him stood Abraham, the high priest, ready to sacrifice his son.

A historical float representing John Alden and Priscilla was the exhibit of the Tourist club. The colors, white, silver and lavender, were principally used. On the float

rode a young lady dressed as a Puritan maiden seated at a spinning wheel, and opposite her sat a young man dressed in Colonial costume. Over the float were several arches arranged so as to form a dome which was trimmed with a great number of white roses. At the corners of the platform were banks of royal ferns. On the sides were the words "Tourist" in lavender letters. The horses wore lavender plumes and silver harnesses and were led by footmen.

A Concord coach entirely covered with white and thickly festooned with blue flowers was the appropriate display of Ashuelot Chapter, D. A. R. On the coach were thirteen young ladies, representing the thirteen colonies, wearing Priscilla hats trimmed with blue, and each carrying a state banner. Inside the coach were officers of Ashuelot Chapter. Two boys in costume rode as footmen. Keene Chapter, Sons of the Revolution, was represented by six costumed outriders accompanying the coach.

The float of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Y. M. C. A., was a white platform with lattice work of red, and arches supporting a large liberty bell of red. Several young ladies rode in the float.

Cheshire Grange had a 6-horse float representing a room in Colonial times in which sat George and Martha Washington. The fireplace, andirons, wall paper and furniture were of ye olden time, the room being very perfect in its designs and furnishings.

The Masonic fraternity of Keene was represented by a large white float supporting a boat of blue, in which were six men in the costumes of the Colonial army, representing Washington and his officers crossing the Delaware. The ice in the river was represented and the officers with their colors were most picturesque.

The Fortnightly Club was represented by a cavalryman, carrying a handsome silk United States flag.

The Colonial Club exhibit was entitled "a club woman of '76." It consisted of a gun carriage and field piece on

which rode a woman in a Colonial costume of blue and buff. The national colors were draped around her.

The float of the Current Events Club consisted of numerous tall Gothic columns of white supporting a triple dome. Inside sat a lady representing the Goddess of Liberty. She was attended by six other ladies in classic costumes, representing music, art, science, manufactures, agriculture and commerce. The float was delicately trimmed with smilax.

The Froebel Club float represented a kindergarten. Seats holding 60 children in white, the girls wearing crowns and the boys star hats, were arranged in the form of a pyramid. The club colors of red and white were used on the canopy and float and there were palms at the top of the pyramid. Levi Randall drove the four horses.

The float of W. M. Foley, the florist, was designed to represent a Japanese house. The roof and the sides were covered with ferns. There was a window on each side through which could be seen a large bell hanging from the roof. The bell was filled with pink roses and on the sides of it were the figures 1776, in flowers. Seated at a large table were four young ladies making up flowers. In each corner stood a little child holding a ribbon which was attached to the bell.

The Women's Relief Corps display consisted of an open carriage which was covered with white, and drawn by two horses with harnesses trimmed with white, also. In the carriage were four young ladies, dressed in white and supporting a large flag.

The Monadnock Cycle Club's float consisted of a huge and very striking fleur de lis of white trimmed with blue, blue and white being the club's colors. Across the centre of the emblem were the large letters, "M. C. C." in blue and on the sides the dates, "1893—1903." Four white horses from Swanzey, driven by John Starkey, drew the float.

The Keene Humane Society's float was decorated with

crimson, white and gold. On each side were the words. "Keene Humane Society," in crimson letters upon a gold background. Two little girls dressed in crimson and white rode in the wagon and carried banners on which were written "Be kind to all living creatures" and "Remember your poor relatives, the dumb animals."

The Midweek Club had a very striking float in white and red, with seats arranged one above the other on which sat thirteen young ladies wearing white dresses, red bolero jackets, red shoes and large red picture hats. The horses were led by footmen.

The local telephone girls had a very attractive float, all in white, and drawn by two white horses, tandem. From the canopy overhead hung the big blue bell of the American (Bell) Telephone Co. Five young ladies, all in white, with large white hats, and a little boy and girl, made up the telephone group.

Prentice Hill Grange of Alstead was represented by an old carriage trimmed in red, white and blue, with trunk rack and trunk in front.

The New England Order of Protection had a horse attached to a pneumatic buggy tastefully decorated with purple and white. Over the horse's back was a banner with N. E. O. P., Beech Lodge, 299, upon it.

The Maccabees display consisted of a white band wagon, in which rode the Marlboro brass band, and a second float upon which was a tent and officers of the local division. The float was trimmed with black and gold and upon the sides were the words, "Ashuelot Tent No. 13." Both teams were drawn by four horses which wore blankets with the name "Maccabees" upon them.

The Holbrook Grocery Company's display consisted of three floats which were headed by two carriages in which rode members of the firm and their children. The first float advertised Worcester salt and consisted of an imitation of a bag of salt which was about six feet tall mounted upon a platform made up of bags of salt, ar-

ranged in tiers. This float was trimmed with red, white and blue and was drawn by four black horses. The second float had a house roof supported by large cans and was designed as a canned goods exhibit. The third float consisted of barrels and bags of flour. The trimmings were red, white and blue.

The Keene Screen Company's float consisted of a small house built entirely of screens in which were two girls playing ping pong.

The Cheshire Beef Company had three teams in the parade as their display. On one of the teams was a design composed of canned meats shaped to form a bell representing the liberty bell. Another team had a fort composed of packages of bacon, ham, etc. On the top of the fort were several cannon made of lard pails. In the third team was a display of lard in barrels.

The Keene Gas and Electric Light Company had a float representing a modern kitchen with gas ranges and a kitchen of ye olden time with the huge fireplace, crane, etc.

E. M. Blake's display consisted of a large wagon with a canopy top, and was decorated with the national colors. On the float were two pianos, one open to illustrate his tuning department and the other closed. There were placards advertising Blake's store and Britton's job wagons.

The display of the Keene Beef Company consisted of three handsome teams representing Swift & Co's products. The first was a Swift buggy in red and yellow in which rode Manager Charles Wright and driver. The horses wore the firm's colors, orange and red. The drivers carried Swift & Co.'s banners, and in the wagons were large displays of their numerous products.

The Abbott Grocery Company's float was a massive one, weighing some three tons and largely advertising the Mastiff brand of canned goods with which it was filled. Eight columns of cans supported a canopy and on top of a central pyramid stood a large and handsome mastiff, apparently appreciating the importance of his position.

Orange and black were the colors of the decorations. Six gray horses wearing blankets and plumes of orange and black drew the float and there were six horsemen in white.

Eli Chabott, the groceryman, had a float representing a store interior with a great variety of goods. The decoration were red, white and blue and there was a framework overhead.

The Museum display consisted of a clown and his donkey cart. George F. Cody made a typical clown and kept his fun going all the time. There were these signs on the cart, "What is a circus without a clown;" "What is Keene without a Museum."

Thayer & Collins, contractors and builders, had a large wagon trimmed in red, white, blue and yellow and containing doors, sashes, blinds, turned posts, stair rails and other articles of their manufacture.

Henry Giffin, the coal and wood dealer, had a display of ten fine teams carrying loads of coal, wood, kindlings and the like. The horses were handsome animals and the wagons, harnesses and drivers showed the excellent condition of his business equipment.

The parade was reviewed near Mechanic street by the chief marshal, city government and several prominent citizens, the march being completed at 12.25 and a rest of some 15 minutes being taken to allow exhibits delayed by trains, etc., to close up.

In addition to the three hours' struggle between the Keene and Mechanicsville baseball nines and the eleven innings struggle between the Marlboro and Keene high school nines, the day was further enlivened by good contests in three classes of horse trotting, for purses of \$200 in each race. The details of these events were published in the newspapers, at the time, but are omitted here as they lack permanent historical interest.

ANNIVERSARY EXERCISES.

ORATION BY REV. J. L. SEWARD, D. D., WITH LIVING FLAG
AND SINGING BY THE CHILDREN.

The 150th anniversary exercises, held in Central park, were largely attended. A crowd filled the park and the sidewalks on Central square near by, while teams and automobiles took their places outside the park railing. His Honor, Mayor Taft, presided. The concert by the children followed closely, making the two programs in reality one. The children also assisted in the anniversary celebration. The combined programs were as follows:

Chorus, "To Thee, O Country."	.....
Invocation,.....	Rev. Mr. Robins
Remarks,.....	Mayor J. S. Taft
Chorus, "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp."	.....
Oration,.....	Rev. Dr. Seward
Chorus, "Praise the Father."	.....
Benediction,.....	Rev. Dr. Renouf
Selection,.....	Band
Chorus, "Columbia the Gem of the Ocean."	.....
Chorus, "Battle Hymn of the Republic."	.....
"America,".....	Audience
Selection,.....	Band

In the north end of the park, facing the south, was the platform for the speakers, with the stand for the children in the rear. On the platform, besides the speakers, were the members of the city councils, ex-mayors of the city, the clergy, the adult chorus, the accompanists and the band. On the stand in the rear were the children who composed the living flag.

The living flag was one of the really fine features of the day, and was a novelty hereabouts. It was nothing more or less than a representation of a flag composed of 350 children. The little people were arranged on a tier of seats extending 25 feet from base to top and 72 feet from end to end, making a flag 72 feet long and 25 wide. The field was made up mostly of boys, who were dressed in blue, and 45 of them held white stars fastened to wands. The stripes were made up of girls, who wore red capes and white skirts. As the children were seated they made

a complete picture of a flag, seven red and six white stripes in the correct alternate order, and a blue field with 45 white stars.

The children met in city hall and marched to the seats, making their appearance at 4.25 o'clock. They came on the seats in double file, the highest row first, marched up the centre of the seats and separated, half going to the right and half to the left. Each row was preceded by and was in charge of two ladies who acted as guides or chaperons and who were seated at each end of each row. In all there were seven rows of about 50 in a row. The white skirts of the lowest row, which would have made a fourteenth stripe, were hidden by the occupants of the speakers' platform in front of them and the flag was perfect in appearance. It was a brilliant sight, one that the spectators appreciated and will never forget.

The flag was under the general charge of Mrs. W. F. Holbrook, who inaugurated the plan.

As inspiring as the sight of the flag was the singing of the children who composed it. In two choruses, "To Thee, O Country," and "Praise the Father," they were assisted by fifty adult voices, male and female, from the Keene Chorus Club. The rest of the choruses the young people sang alone. They were full of the spirit of the occasion and aroused the audience to hearty applause after every selection. They were under the direction of Mr. Nelson P. Coffin, the director of the Chorus Club, who achieved splendid results with them. At the same time it must not be forgotten that the basis was laid by Miss Alice H. Jackson, the supervisor of music in the public schools, from which most of the children came.

Three accompanists aided in the choruses, Mrs. Berdia C. Huntress and Miss Florence Silsby on two pianos and Mr. E. H. Holbrook on the organ.

The exercises began at 4.45 and closed at 6.15. The remarks by the mayor were graceful and brief, and were greeted by a round of applause. He said:

"We are here today, not only to celebrate the birthday of our nation, but to commemorate another issue of the long ago, the founding of the city of Keene.

"As Keene was among the first of the pioneer towns to respond to the call of liberty, it is most fitting that we call to mind the one, we remember the other.

"The purpose of our exercises today is largely educational; and the development of this plan has brought into a prominent place the children of our public schools. Through the inspiration of the hour we trust these children will better understand the true meaning of the day we celebrate; will have a deeper reverence for the things pertaining to the welfare of our cherished city.

"And may not we of maturer years catch this inspiration? Standing at the junction of these magnificent streets bordered with stately elms, surrounded with institutions of learning and spires pointing Heavenward, may we not most fittingly call to mind the men whose lives and characters made possible the Keene of today?"

From an anniversary point of view the chief event of the day was the oration by Dr. Seward. Long residence in Keene and an intimate knowledge of its history enabled the speaker to do justice to the day and the place. Dr. Seward is an orator and a writer of experience and of the most favorable reputation. He gave his fellow townsmen a discriminating, sympathetic and learned historical address, which was listened to closely by his hearers and was received with cordial approbation. Realizing that the orator of today speaks to his largest audience through the medium of the press, we give the address of Dr. Seward entire in another place in this issue. It is not to be supposed that the address would have been lost in any event, as was that of Judge Parker fifty years ago through the neglect of the municipal authorities to publish it. Still, its publication now will not only interest our readers but will also preserve the oration beyond a peradventure.

The band to furnish music for the above program was

the City band of Rutland, Vt. Its two selections, the overture from "Poet and Peasant" and the popular two-step "Hiawatha," gave much pleasure.

THE EXHIBITION OF FIREWORKS.

The celebration was brought to a close with a grand exhibition of fireworks at the Keene driving park, which attracted some seven thousand people. The crowd filled the greater portion of the grand stand and congregated along the fence in front of it, in the race track and in the field in back of the judges' stand. It was a quiet and orderly assemblage and those in charge of the display say they were never better protected in their work.

The exhibition was given in the field southwest of the judges' stand and began at about 8.30 o'clock. It was in charge of three skilled workmen from the H. H. Tilton Fireworks Co. of Boston, who, with the assistance of A. W. Pressler, were kept busy for nearly an hour and a half discharging the numerous pieces. Since it had been ascertained at the beginning of the display that there were a large number of people waiting in the city for cars to the park, Mr. Pressler did not hurry the exhibition so that the late arrivals might see some of the fireworks. The work could have been completed in an hour.

The night was a magnificent one, the clear skies and bright moon adding much to the beauty of this closing feature of the celebration. The pyrotechnic display was a good one and is considered one of the best ever given in this city. It consisted of varied colored and floral shells, willows, cannon, tuorbillion, serpentine rockets, Roman candles, whirlwinds, fountains and nine set pieces. During the exhibition colored lights were frequently used.

The first set piece read "1753 Keene 1903" and it aroused considerable enthusiasm. The second piece was that of a magic scroll. The third piece was a display of hanging lights in various colors, 100 feet long and was one of the prettiest and most effective illuminations of the

evening. The fourth piece showed illuminated wheels propelled by magic fires with such rapidity as to form beautiful rainbow circles producing quick successions of brilliant colors. The fifth set piece showed an old-fashioned windmill. It consisted of large revolving arms and scrolls of colored lance jets. The sixth set piece was called "The Star of the Union" and was in crimson and blue colors. The next piece showed a kicking mule. The representation was a very good one, the comical performances of the animal provoked much laughter. The eighth piece represented a palm tree in various colors. The ninth showed the "Good Night," the entire open space at the same time being illuminated by a blaze of color. The committee in charge consisted of A. W. Pressler, L. C. Norwood, Fred Pearson and J. P. Wellman.

The electric road ran trains of from four to seven cars to and from the park as rapidly as possible from between six and seven to eleven o'clock. The cars were packed to their utmost capacity and made trips once every half hour carrying from 1000 to 1500 an hour, it is estimated. Many barges and quantities of private carriages were also used. Nevertheless hundreds of people were obliged to walk to and from the park, Main street being lined with foot passengers from 7 o'clock until nearly 11. Two policemen were on duty at the branch bridge and kept the teams in single file, the jam reaching back hundreds of feet at times. No accidents are reported. Many people, especially those having children, did not attempt to go to the park and a large number of families had private displays of fireworks.

DR. SEWARD'S ORATION.

FULL TEXT OF THE ANNIVERSARY ADDRESS DELIVERED
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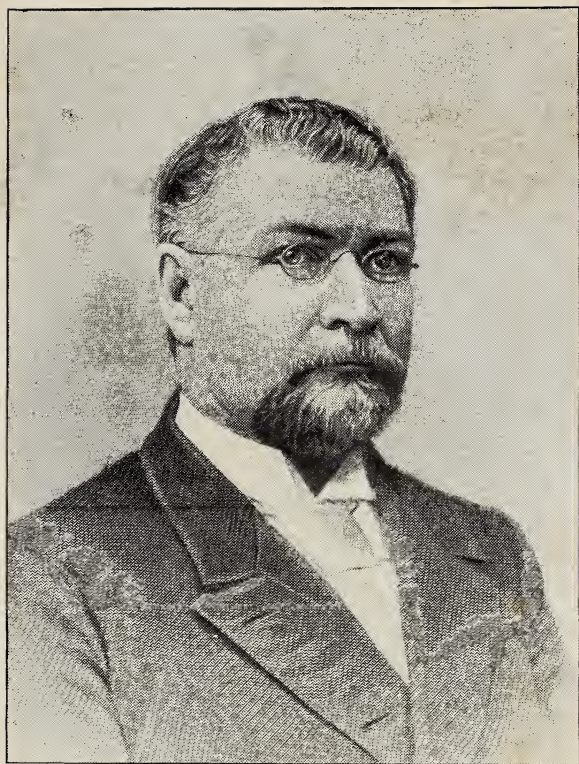
The oration of Rev. Josiah L. Seward, D. D., at the anniversary exercises July 4 was in full as follows:

Mr. Mayor and Citizens :

“My tongue, by inspiration taught,
Shall parables unfold:
Dark oracles, but understood,
And owned for truths of old,
Which we from sacred registers
Of ancient times have known,
And our forefathers' pious care
To us has handed down.
Let children learn the mighty deeds
Which God performed of old,
Which, in our younger years, we saw,
And which our fathers told.
Our lips shall tell them to our sons,
And they again to theirs,
That generations yet unborn
May teach them to their heirs.”

A century and a half of the corporate existence of this municipality of Keene has passed. The ashes of the last of our forefathers who cleared the primeval forests and laid the foundations of Upper Ashuelot, the cradle of the later Keene, have long since mingled with their kindred dust. We come today to seek to recall their heroic deeds, their patient toil, and their exemplary virtues. If we would lift the veil which conceals from us their many daring exploits, their labors in subduing the wilderness, their consecrated efforts to maintain public worship, their fierce encounters with the savages, and their progress in municipal government, we shall find a large portion of this civic life shrouded in darkness. Here and there, the imperfect records of the town and the first church, together with the preserved traditions of aged residents, enable us to catch glimpses of the course of events and to weave something like a connected web of historical detail.

If a bird's-eye view of this immediate vicinity, in what geologists would call a recent geological age, could be reproduced for us, it would disclose a vast lake covering the beautiful valley in which we are. It extended on the north to the hills of Surry, with a bay reaching to the high lands



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of Alstead. Surry mountain was a beautiful promontory jutting into this lake from the northeast, which a bay reaching up what is now the Beaver brook valley separated from Beech hill. On the east, this lake reached to Beech hill and to the high hills of Roxbury and Marlborough, with bays reaching out towards what are now Marlborough village and East Swanzey. The southern boundary was the hills of Richmond and the western shore was on what we call the West mountain and the hills of Westmoreland and Surry. The outlet was by way of what we call the valley of the Ashuelot, into the valley of the Connecticut. The lake must have been a most beautiful sheet of water, about fifteen miles in length and from three to five miles in width. Evidences of its existence have been repeatedly discovered and described. Gradually the soft earth at the outlet was worn away and, little by little, the lake disappeared, until only traces of it were left.

The earliest inhabitants of this fair valley which succeeded the old lake were the Ashuelot Indians. They were probably a branch of the great tribe of Pequots who occupied the valleys of the Connecticut and its tributaries. These earliest Indians, who gave their name to our river, a name which ought still to characterize our municipality, were not the same as those troublesome Indians who annoyed the first settlers of Upper Ashuelot. The latter found their way here from Canada and were induced to come by the French, who were opposed to the English in the European wars of that period. The struggle in Europe had its echoes in America, where the colonists of the two countries fought each other, until the great victory on the Heights of Abraham decided the long struggle in favor of the British government.

In order to understand the historical setting of the first settlement of this place, it is necessary to recur to certain facts. The territory granted to Gorges and Mason, on the tenth of August, 1622, and known as the Province of Maine, was to include all the land of New England be-

tween the Merrimack and Sagadahoc rivers and from the sea coast between their mouths to a line connecting points on the rivers, or in the continued direction of the general course of the rivers, three score miles from the mouths of each. It was then supposed that the rivers, both of them, flowed generally in an easterly direction. The grant of Massachusetts, to Sir Henry Roswell and others, March 19, 1627-8, confirmed to the grantees all the land three miles north of any and every part of the River Merrimack. On November 7, 1629, the Council of Plymouth granted to Capt. John Mason, his heirs and assigns, "all that part of the mainland in New England lying upon the sea-coast, beginning from the middle part of Merrimack river, and from thence to proceed northwards along the sea-coast to Pascataqua river, and so forwards up within the said river and to the furtherest head thereof, and from thence northward, until three score miles be finished from the first entrance of Pascataqua river; also from Merrimack through the said river and to the furtherest head thereof, and so forward up into the lands westwards, until three score miles be finished; and from thence to cross over land to the three score miles end accompted from Pascataqua river," etc.

As a result of these indefinite, in fact impossible, boundary lines, which conflicted with the bounds of the Massachusetts patent, many conflicts arose between the settlers of the two provinces in regard to their rightful limits. Massachusetts claimed that the patent of Mason, properly construed, would not allow him a foot of land south or west of any part of the Merrimack. Consequently, in the year 1652, the general court of Massachusetts Bay appointed Captains Edward Johnson and Simon Willard as commissioners to ascertain the source of the Merrimack. Accompanied by two surveyors and some Indian guides, they proceeded to ascend that river. They followed the more easterly of the two streams which unite to form the Merrimack and arrived, on the first day of August, 1652,

at the source of that stream, at the outlet of beautiful Lake Winnipiseogee. Realizing the importance of their great discovery, they inscribed upon a rock, in the midst of the little stream, at the outlet of the lake, the letters E I, for Edward Johnson (I and J being formerly considered as the same letter); S W, for Simon Willard; WP JOHN ENDICUT GOV, for Worshipful John Endicut (or Endecott), Governor. That first day of August, 1652, precisely 250 years ago, the first day of last August, an even century before Keene was incorporated, is a memorable date in New Hampshire annals. Acting upon this information Massachusetts, for more than a century, not without rank protest, continued to lay claim to all that part of our state which is west of any part of the Merrimack river.

Now we are prepared to understand that problem which has puzzled so many, why this lovely valley of ours should have been first settled under the auspices of Massachusetts. It was because Massachusetts claimed this part of the state west of the Merrimack, in consequence of the construction which was put upon the meaning of words used in describing the boundary lines of the provinces in the old charters.

But the claims of Massachusetts were warmly and, in the end, successfully contested. It would be passing beyond the proper limits of this discourse to give the details of that controversy, so interesting to lawyers and historians. It will answer the purpose to say that, after many delays, it was decided by the king, in council, that the line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire should begin at a point three miles north of the mouth of the Merrimack, thence proceeding on a curved line, parallel to that river, to a point exactly north of Pawtucket Falls (which are in Lowell now), thence on a line due west to his majesty's other governments. I might add that the establishment of this line gave to the people of New Hampshire the notion of claiming, as a part of their province,

much of the present territory of Vermont, a claim which they were not destined to make good.

Before this decision had been rendered, however, Gov. Belcher of Massachusetts had conceived the idea of establishing townships within the disputed limits. Accordingly, the house of representatives of the general court of Massachusetts passed an act, in which the council concurred, July 1, 1732, and which the governor approved on the same day, establishing seven new towns, five to be in what is now Massachusetts, one in Maine, and two on the Ashuelot river. That day, July 1, 1732, was accordingly the date of the first establishment of this municipality, which was known as Upper Ashuelot. It was not immediately settled. On October 19, 1733, the general court appointed a new committee, consisting of Joseph Kellogg, Timothy Dwight, and William Chandler, with directions to lay out the townships on Ashuelot river forthwith. They made a report in the following February. This report is accompanied by a report of the surveyors, William Chandler and Nathaniel Dwight. They established as their initial station from which to execute their surveys a spruce tree on the east bank of the Ashuelot. A line east and west from this tree was the dividing line between the upper and lower townships which they were to survey. On the map which accompanies their report, they locate this tree, with the legend: "Ye spruce tree heare Described is ye Sentor tree in ye Deviding line betwene ye Secontt & Third township which we made our first Station." Our city clerk, in 1902, reported that "persons living in Keene have seen the old bound which marked the location of the first 'Statia,' an old spruce tree, long since removed." It has been customary to call this central point of that original survey Statia, and a former map named the Thompson farm on which it is found Statia. The name, however, was intended to be a designation of that survey-point. On March 6, 1902, our city councils voted to mark it by a stone post, on the north side of which are the letters,

"K. & S. T. L.," for Keene and Swanzey Town Line. On the south side is inscribed, "No. VIII," it being the eighth post in the line between Keene and Swanzey indicating that line. On the east side is the inscription: "Statia. 1733." It is well that this historical landmark of our history is thus preserved.

The foregoing committees, being authorized to admit settlers, notified all persons desirous of taking lots to meet at Concord on June 26, 1734. A sufficient number for the purpose met on that day, at Jonathan Ball's inn at Concord, Mass. They drew their lots, gave their bonds, and paid in their five pounds in lawful money, according to the order of the court. Sixty-three proprietors were thus admitted for Upper Ashuelot. On the following day, June 27, the proprietors met and organized, at the inn of Ephraim Jones in the said Concord. They chose Capt. Samuel Sadey of Medfield, moderator, and Samuel Heywood of Concord, Mass., clerk. They adjourned their meeting until September 18, to be held at their new township of Upper Ashuelot.

As the time for this adjourned meeting approached, seven men of the proprietors started for their proposed settlement. It was late in the evening of September 18, 1734, when these seven men and their guides reached the boundary of their new township at the "Statia" monument. They immediately opened a proprietors' meeting, which they adjourned until the day following. We are fortunate in knowing the exact date of the settlement, as well as the seven men who first crossed the boundary of the township with the intention of settling. They were Jeremiah Hall, Daniel Hoar, Seth Heaton, Elisha Root, Nathaniel Rockwood, Josiah Fisher (afterwards slain by the Indians), and William Puffer.

The house lots of the proprietors were drawn June 26, 1734, and were laid out according to a plan submitted at that meeting. Of the sixty-three lots nine were to be on the line of Lower Ashuelot, the other fifty-four were to be on two side of a main street, four rods in width, twenty-

seven upon either side. These lots were to be 160 rods in length, east and west, and eight rods in width, north and south, the street to run north and south through the centre of the lots. The north line of the north lot upon the west of the street very nearly coincided with the foundations of the southern wall of our railway station. September 30, 1736, at a meeting of the proprietors, it was voted to widen the main street four rods, making a street eight rods in width, the settlers readily relinquishing four rods on the east of their lots in return for four rods at the west end. It is to the wise forethought of the proprietors at that meeting that we are indebted for that magnificent boulevard which forms our present Main street.

It was two or three years before the settlers had accommodation which enabled them to move their families or spend the winter here. They were scarcely prepared to do so before the news reached them that the king in council had settled the line between New Hampshire and Massachusetts, which left their new settlement well within the limits of New Hampshire. This was a source of great grief to the settlers, who were devotedly attached to old Massachusetts, from which they came. The king's decision was made March 5, 1740, and on the third of October in the same year, the proprietors of Upper Ashuelot held a meeting and voted that a petition be presented to the king's most excellent majesty, setting forth their distress at this decision and praying to be annexed to Massachusetts, to which they had always supposed that they belonged, and Thomas Hutchinson, Esq., was appointed to present the petition. Mr. Hutchinson had previously been appointed as an agent of Massachusetts to do the same thing. He made the voyage to England, but failed to accomplish the object of his mission.

The hardships of the infant settlement were made especially distressing in consequence of a malignant throat distemper, perhaps diphtheria, which raged in the years 1744 and 1745. A large number died, especially of children.

John Andrews had come from Boxford, Mass., bringing with him nine children, all of whom succumbed to this disease within a year.

In the spring of 1744, war was declared between England and France. It is usually called, in American histories, King George's war. It had its origin in disputes concerning the kingdom of Austria which cannot be discussed here. The settlers were greatly alarmed, for the policy of the French in Canada, as an aid to the French side of the contest, was to encourage incursions of savages from that section to harass their English neighbors in the provinces to the south of them. The dwellers in Upper Ashuelot dared not perform their usual labors, or indeed to go far from the fort, without carrying arms and posting guards to be constantly on the watch for savages who were presumed to be lurking in the neighborhood. The first fatal encounter was on the tenth of July in 1745, when Deacon Josiah Fisher was killed, a little south of the present residence of Mrs. Griffin, as he was driving his cow to pasture.

An episode in the life of Ephraim Dorman, an early settler, serves to show the tremendous physical energy and endurance of these pioneer settlers. In the morning of the 23d of April, 1746, Mr. Dorman left the fort, which was near the present residence of Mr. Lemuel Hayward, to search for his cow. When he was some distance away, he perceived Indians lurking in the bushes. He immediately gave an alarm, crying "Indians! Indians!" and ran in the direction of the fort. Two of the Indians sprang towards him and fired at him, but neither hit him. They then threw away their arms and advanced towards him. Mr. Dorman knocked one of them senseless, the other he seized and, being a strong man, wrestled with him, using his favorite method of "trip and twitch." He tore the Indian's blanket from his shoulders, leaving him nearly naked. As the Indian was painted and greasy, he managed to slip away from Mr. Dorman, who reached the fort in safety. On the

same day, a Mrs. McKenney, who had gone to her barn, near where Mrs. Thayer now lives, to milk her cow, on her return, was fatally stabbed by a naked Indian, probably the same one who had wrestled with Dorman. On the same day John Bullard, running to the fort from his barn, below where Mr. Hayward lives, was also shot in the back. He was taken into the fort and expired in a few hours. On the same day a circumstance occurred which gives a glimpse of the physical ability and endurance of our foremothers. A Mrs. Clark was at her barn, fifty rods from the fort. As she left it to go to the fort, she saw an Indian near her, who threw away his gun and sprang towards her, evidently with the intention of making a prisoner of her. She gathered her clothes around her waist and started for the fort. It was a splendid running match. The woman, animated by the cheers of her friends, outran the swift Indian, who, undoubtedly mortified that he had been beaten by a white squaw, skulked back for his gun.

Murder was not the only evil to be dreaded at the hands of the savages. To be made a captive by the Indians and dragged to Canada, through the pathless forests of a howling wilderness, entailed horrors and sufferings which words cannot adequately describe. Many a poor captive on his march has wished that the fatal tomahawk might have ended his mortal life before the awful journey began. Nathan Blake, on the day that these Indians attacked the settlement, leaving his barn, near where Milton Blake resides, fearing that he could not reach the fort, undertook to escape in the direction of the river. He was apprehended and taken to Canada. His captors could speak English in a broken way. When he remarked that he had not taken any breakfast, they replied that "it must be a poor Englishman who could not go to Canada without his breakfast." The story of Nathan Blake is so familiar that it will not bear repetition here. It will be enough to say that he returned from his captivity and died, in 1811, in the hundredth year of his age.

News of the attack upon Keene was soon sent by special messengers from town to town, down the Ashuelot and Connecticut valleys, as far as Northampton, where Col. Pomeroy commanded. He immediately took all the forces that he could muster and added to them on his way, reaching Upper Ashuelot forty-eight hours after the attack had begun, on the 25th of April. He found the trail of the retreating Indians but did not attempt to follow it far. In this attack upon the settlement about nine or ten of the savages were killed. Feeling that immediate danger had passed, Col. Pomeroy and his men returned to their homes.

In the spring of 1747 the settlers felt so insecure that they resolved to leave their settlement for a time and did so. Shortly after their departure, a party of savages visited the place and burned most of the buildings. The mill, however, and the house where the miller lived, and probably some other buildings were spared. As the place was not totally destroyed, and as the original settlers returned after a short absence, in 1750 and 1751, the fact holds good that the first settlement must be dated from September 18, 1734.

Shortly after the settlers resumed their settlement, they applied to Benning Wentworth, governor of New Hampshire, for a charter. Accordingly he granted one to them, including the territory formerly known as Upper Ashuelot and an additional strip upon the east side, bringing the bounds, at that time, as far east as the old Masonian Patent line which formed the western limit of that territory which a famous syndicate, known as "The Masonian Proprietors," had recently purchased of John Tufton Mason, a claimant of the rights in that land vesting in him as the heir of the original John Mason, to whom New Hampshire had been granted, in 1629, with bounds of a very indefinite character. Time cannot here be taken to recite the story of that patent. The name given to the newly chartered township was Keene, an undoubted compliment to Went-

worth's friend, Sir Benjamin Keene, who was, at one time, the minister plenipotentiary from Great Britain to the court of Spain. The first meeting of the voters, under the new charter, was on the first Wednesday of May, 1753, at which meeting it was voted to pay Benjamin Bellows 122 Spanish milled dollars for his services and expenses in procuring the charter. The charter bears the date of April 11, 1753. We are therefore two months and twenty-three days late in our celebration of the event today.

From this time the Indians gave but little trouble. Once in 1755, during the old French and Indian war, they appeared and captured a man named Benjamin Twitchell near Ash Swamp. Still later, they appeared and burned an old building in the direction of Surry. After this, the new town was not disturbed by them. From that time to the present day, the civic affairs of Keene have been transacted in an orderly, peaceful, and honorable manner. The old town meeting was the miniature model of a genuine republic. Here any voter could offer suggestions and cast his vote and feel that he was on a political equality with all his neighbors. Those old meetings were not without their breezy episodes. The building or repairing of a meeting house, the settlement of a new minister, the laying out of a new highway, the building of a new school-house, the election of the town officers and the selection of of one or more to represent the town in the general court, and the general appropriations, all brought out very animated debates, as the occasions would arise, but the majorities ruled and, however stubbornly any measure was favored or opposed, nobody doubted the sacred right of the majority to decide any question.

The most important political event in the history of Keene, since its incorporation by Benning Wentworth, was the change from a town to a city. The city charter was granted by the state legislature on the third of July in 1873, just thirty years ago yesterday. The first city gov-

ernment was installed on the fifth of May in 1874, with the Hon. Horatio Colony as the first mayor.

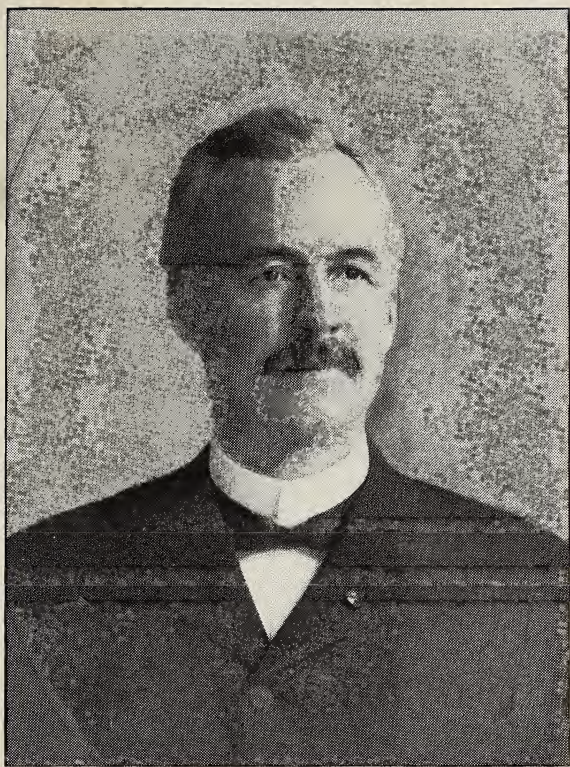
As we pass in hasty review the 150 years of municipal life since Keene was incorporated by that name, only a few of the most noted events can claim our attention here. The history of Keene cannot be given in a brief discourse. The admirable history, written by our late distinguished and lamented citizen, Gen. S. G. Griffin, will shortly appear, and the multitude of interesting particulars which must be omitted in this review, or only incidentally noticed, will there be treated fully.

In 1764, the first school was established and six pounds voted to defray the expenses. This was surely a humble beginning of the educational history of Keene, but it was a vital spark which has kindled a great fire. From that humble beginning we trace the steady expansion of the public school system within the limits of Keene. There were, at one time, fourteen school districts in the town, including the one known as the centre district. In 1831, there was no one of these districts which had less than twenty-five pupils. Since that time, the country districts have steadily declined in population, while the village, now the city, section has been as steadily gaining. The old country schoolhouses are still, for the most part, preserved and the most of them are still used for schools for some portion of the year, but the number of pupils has greatly decreased. Our school buildings in the city proper would do credit to any place of the size of Keene. They are a worthy exponent of public sentiment with respect to the importance of education.

Keene has taken high rank in educational institutions. On the first of May, 1814, Miss Catherine Fiske established a boarding and day school for young ladies in the house where Mrs. E. C. Thayer lives. It was unique at the time in this vicinity. The pupils represented families of culture and refinement and the young ladies were instructed not only in books but in such polite accomplishments as would

fit them to take their stations in the most elegant society. Miss Fiske died in 1837. The institution survived for a short time longer under those who had been her assistants.

The old Keene academy was established 1836. It had vital relations with the First Congregational church. The building, still well remembered by many, occupied the site of the present high school. The lower room was used by the aforementioned church as a vestry. The academy continued to provide instruction for seventeen years, until 1853, when the high school was established. There were in all about ten principals. The first was Breed Batchelder, a descendant of the man of that name who first settled Packersfield, at a place now in Roxbury. The last was William Torrance, who became the first principal of the high school. In 1853, the academy not having adequate funds to maintain such an institution, and a high school having been established, the trustees leased their building to the town for that school. Mr. Torrance, the first principal of the school, died in February, 1855. After two more principals, who served short terms, Mr. A. J. Burbank, aided by his accomplished wife, took up the work of this school, remaining until 1867 and bringing order out of chaos and establishing a high school of much merit. There were then about eighty pupils. The "Union School District of Keene," formed in 1865, attempted, about 1866, to purchase the building of the Keene academy. Not being able to do this, the property was finally taken by law for school purposes and the trustees accepted, finally, the sum of \$6,100 for the full settlement of their claims. This procedure created bitter feeling at the time and not without good reason. The proceeds have been carefully invested by the trustees. The board of trustees of the Keene academy still exists and has in trust a handsome property which may yet be used for purposes not foreign to the wishes and desires of the founders. It is to be hoped that such may be the case. There is still room for an academy in Keene whose course of study shall not conflict with the



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functions of the high school and which would meet legitimately the original purposes of the institution. The land on which the old academy building was placed was donated by Mr. Abijah Wilder.

Immediately connected with the educational work of a community, nothing is more needed than a well equipped library. From an early period there had been small circulating libraries in Keene, besides those owned by the different religious societies. These could do but little to meet the increasing need of a general reference library, such as the present age demands. To meet such a demand, the town established a public library in 1859. It was located for many years under the town hall, now the city hall. In 1898, the late Edward C. Thayer presented to the city the Henry Colony house upon West street and a fund of \$5,000 to purchase books. The building was remodelled and a book-stack added, and the completed structure was dedicated February 28, 1899. The generous donor did not live to witness the completion of the work.

Journalism is likewise the helpmeet of education. The history of journalism in Keene is especially interesting. Four weekly newspapers, all of much merit for their time, were established in Keene, between 1787 and 1795. They were the New Hampshire Recorder and Weekly Advertiser, The Cheshire Advertiser, The Columbian Informer, and The Rising Sun. All were short-lived. The New Hampshire Sentinel, which is now well along in its second century, was established here in 1799 by John Prentiss, who lived to be the oldest, as he had long been one of the ablest of American journalists. His brother and son were at different times associated with him in the publication of the paper. Among later editors of the paper, not now living, we find the names of Albert Godfrey, Samuel Woodward and Thomas Hale. A grandson of the founder is now connected with the Sentinel company. Oct. 20, 1890, the Sentinel company began the publication of a daily paper known as the Keene Evening Sentinel. Two more short-

lived papers were the American News, merged eventually in the Sentinel, and the New England Observer. The Cheshire Republican is the only paper in Keene which has been devoted to the interests of the Democratic party. This paper, as the successor of The Farmers' Museum, has a quite venerable antiquity. Under the older name, it originated in Walpole, in 1793, under the editorial management of the celebrated Isaiah Thomas, assisted by a Mr. Carlisle. In 1796 it passed under the editorial care of Joseph Dennie, a literary character of his time, who afterwards edited the Portfolio in Philadelphia. He was a descendant of the Mr. Green who edited the old Boston News-letter, the first American newspaper. After the office was moved to Keene, the paper was edited by Nahum Stone. Under the present name, it has been edited by Benaiah Cook, Harvey A. Bill, Horatio Kimball, Morse & Allen, Julius N. Morse, and Joshua D. Colony & Sons. There is no other town in the state which can boast of two papers as old as the two in Keene. As we turn back the files of the old volumes of these journals, we find that both papers have had able editors, whose carefully written editorials have done much in shaping public opinion, one way or another, in this county and vicinity.

The most important events in the history of all the old New England towns, in their earlier days, were connected with the settlement of ministers and the locating and building of meetinghouses. Keene was no exception. These incidents in the history of Keene have been so often and so well told on the occasion of different church anniversaries that I can well pass over them rapidly.

All early New England towns were required by their grants or charters to support an "orthodox minister of the gospel." One of the first cares of our forefathers after they began the infant settlement was to organize a church and ordain a pastor. They did both, October 18, 1738, and Rev. Jacob Bacon was their minister's name. He was a useful man in many ways. He was early made clerk of

the proprietors, and the first records are principally in his handwriting. They are remarkably legible for that period, quite full, and probably very accurate. He remained as the pastor until the colonists dispersed in 1747. The last appropriation was for his official year ending on the eighteenth of October in 1747. He was, however, released from responsibility when the settlers temporarily left their home. The rude church in which he ministered was at the lower end of Main street, about where the house of Mr. Lane stands. It was erected pursuant to a vote passed September 30, 1736. The vote stipulated that it should be finished by June 26, 1737. It was a framed building and was destroyed by the savages after the settlers left the place.

The second pastor of the first church was Rev. Ezra Carpenter, who was installed October 4, 1753, in connection with the church at Swanzey. His ministry was continued seven full years from that date, when he relinquished the Keene charge and remained with the Swanzey church. On the first Wednesday in May, 1753, it was voted to build another meetinghouse. It was built of slabs, with the earth for a floor, near where the late John Henry Elliot resided. In December of that year they voted to build another meetinghouse, and, in January, decided to put it at a place which would not be far from the present Cheshire House.

The third pastor was Rev. Clement Sumner, who, through his wife, became an extensive landowner and real estate dealer. He owned large tracts of land in Keene, Gilsum, Sullivan and the vicinity. He was ordained June 11, 1761, and dismissed April 29, 1772.

The fourth pastor was the Rev. Aaron Hall, the ancestor of persons of that name who have lived in Keene until quite recently. He was ordained February 18, 1778, in the midst of the Revolutionary war, and remained the faithful and honored pastor of the church until his death, August 12, 1814. During this long pastorate of more than thirty-six years, he aided the town to grow from a rude settle-

ment to an important village, a sort of metropolis in this region. During his ministry the present church was built, but stood seventy feet south of its present position. At a later date it was moved to its present site and has been several times remodelled. In its present form, it is one of the choicest gems of architecture in New Hampshire. Its pure, classic style, its harmonious proportions and its stately spire are the admiration of all true lovers of art.

The pastorate of Mr. Hall was succeeded by the very short one of Rev. David Oliphant, of only two and a half years, from May 24, 1815, to December 1, 1817 (not November, 1817, as some authorities give it). The sixth and next pastor was the Rev. Zedekiah S. Barstow, D. D., so well remembered by all of my older hearers, one of the most useful and accomplished men who have ever lived in Keene. He was ordained July 1, 1818. The fiftieth anniversary of this event was observed in a fitting manner. On that day he became the pastor emeritus and so continued until his death, March 1, 1873. He was the last pastor settled by the town, and here I must close the more particular account of ecclesiastical affairs.

A second trinitarian Congregational church was organized October 15, 1867. Their church edifice, erected at a cost of \$35,000, was dedicated September 16, 1869. They have had six pastors.

A Baptist church was gathered at Ash Swamp, September 9, 1816, through the efforts of Rev. Charles Cummings. A new organization was effected at the village, August 21, 1832. The first church was at Ash Swamp, the second edifice on Winter street, now the armory. Their present commodious structure, built at a cost of \$52,000, was dedicated May 12, 1875. They have had thirteen regular pastors, of whom the Rev. Wm. H. Eaton, D. D., who remained sixteen and a half years, served the parish much longer than any other.

The Methodist Episcopalians had preaching here at irregular intervals between 1803 and 1824. Keene was in-

cluded in the Winchester circuit from 1824 to 1834. From 1834 to 1851, they were supplied from adjoining towns. In November, 1835, a church was organized, known as Grace Methodist Episcopal church. Since 1850, that church has had the benefit of local pastors, of whom there have been twenty-six in all. The present fine house of worship was built at a cost of about \$40,000, and was dedicated on November 23, 1869.

The Unitarian church was organized December 27, 1825. Their first meetinghouse was dedicated April 28, 1830. It was rebuilt and rededicated August 16, 1868. The present handsome stone church on Washington street was dedicated January 24, 1895, the corner-stone having been laid on the first of July, 1894. This society has had six pastors. The first was Thomas Russell Sullivan, the second was Rev. Abiel Abbott Livermore, D. D., later a president of the Meadville Theological school. The third pastor, Rev. William Orne White, ministered to the society for twenty-seven years, an unusually long pastorate for the present time. His useful and benevolent life in this city is gratefully remembered. He still resides in Brookline, Mass., having recently been bereaved of his excellent wife. The next two pastorates were quite brief. The present pastor, Rev. C. B. Elder, is in the fourteenth year of his ministry in this place.

The Universalists began to hire preachers as early as 1860. The first who settled here was Rev. I. C. Knowlton, father of the late attorney general of Massachusetts. A church was organized March 12, 1876. They have worshipped in the town (now city) hall, in the old Baptist church, now the armory, and in a hall on Roxbury street, where their meetings are now held. They have had four pastors.

The parish of St. James' Protestant Episcopal church was organized May 13, 1859. Ground was broken for the beautiful church on West street, May 14, 1863. The building was first used August 21, 1864, but was not conse-

crated until November 22, 1877, after the debt had been extinguished. The present pastor is the tenth in succession. The esteemed first rector honored this community by establishing a permanent residence here, where his many virtues and cultivated tastes have imparted a beneficent influence for many years.

The Roman Catholics began their labors in Keene as early as 1856. Eleven priests have successively ministered to the needs of their people, assisted, at different times, by as many as five others. The parishioners have been very devoted to their cause. Their first place of worship was a wooden structure on Marlboro street. Their elegant church on Main street, built after great exertions and many sacrifices, was consecrated November 20, 1892.

Besides these older established churches, we have today the Bethany Pentecostal church, which worships in what was once the Methodist church, but now moved to a new location; a mission of the First church on George street; the Gospel Mission, on Pine street; a new church started by our Swedish citizens; and a Seventh Day Advent society. There was formerly, also, what was called a Christian Advent society.

The military history of Keene is a familiar story and needs only to be epitomized here. There were men from Keene in the old French war, so-called. Keene's Revolutionary history, the reception of the news from Lexington and Concord, the departure of Wyman and his men for the seat of the conflict, the heroic services of Keene men at Bennington, Saratoga, in the Jerseys, and on the eventful expedition to Canada, have all been much discussed at recent meetings of patriotic societies.

There were men from Keene in the old Indian wars. One of them, Major Josiah Willard, died while engaged in such service. There were Keene men also in the war of 1812 and in the Mexican war.

In the great Civil war, besides Brevet Major General S. G. Griffin, who lived here after the war, Keene gave

Brevet Brigadier General Francis S. Fiske, Colonel Robert Wilson, Lieutenant Colonel John W. Babbitt, Majors Obed G. Dort and Edward E. Sturtevant, Surgeon George B. Twitchell, Captains Henry C. Handerson, Henry N. Metcalf, Solon A. Carter, and John W. Sturtevant, as well as many more officers of lesser rank and scores of private soldiers. Let us hope that, before it is too late, full biographical details may be written of the deeds of all these brave men in that memorable struggle.

In the last war, that between the United States and Spain, Keene was represented in the New Hampshire regiment by Captain Paul F. Babbidge and many others.

As we approach modern times, we cast one look at the long line of worthy men who have helped to shape the destiny and the fortunes of Keene. We see a long line of lawyers, whose efforts at the bar, or in the discharge of public duties, have given lustre to their names. Among them are Elijah Williams, the first lawyer; Daniel Newcomb, a judge of the superior court, and first state senator from Keene; Peleg Sprague, elected to congress in 1797; Noah Cooke; Samuel Dinsmoor, Sr., elected to congress in 1811, a governor of New Hampshire; Samuel Dinsmoor, Jr., another governor of the state; Samuel Hunt, also a member of congress; James Wilson, Sr., elected to congress in 1809; James Wilson, Jr., who rose to the rank of general in the militia and served in congress; Levi Chamberlain, a member of the Peace congress of 1861; Joel Parker, chief justice from 1838 to 1848, later a professor of law at Harvard university; Joseph Buffum, who served in congress; Salma Hale, who also served in congress and wrote a prize history of the United States; George S. Hale, son of the preceding, who was one of the most honored trust lawyers of Boston; Thomas M. Edwards, first president of the Cheshire Railroad, also a member of congress; Elijah Parker; Foster Alexander; Elijah Dunbar; F. Gardner; Phineas Handerson; Phineas Fiske; Wm. P. Wheeler; Farnum F. Lane; Francis A. Faulkner, who declined a seat upon the

bench of the supreme court; Wm. Henry Burt; John Henry Elliot; Edward Farrar, long the clerk of the courts; C. C. Webster; and the late Francis C. Faulkner, who, like his father, declined promotion to the bench.

We see, too, a succession of physicians, noted for their skill and success, including Dr. Pomeroy, who refused to sign the Association Test, during the Revolution; Thaddeus McCarty, who introduced into Keene the inoculation for the small-pox; Daniel Adams, an early postmaster; still another Daniel Adams, who was the author of valuable school text-books; Amos Twitchell, who has been aptly called "the autocrat of surgery in New England," whose skill and genius earned for him an extensive reputation and an immense practice; Charles G. Adams, a son of the first named Daniel, whose sunny face and genial manners in the sick room are still well remembered; Algernon S. Carpenter, who was for many years one of our most honored physicians; George B. Twitchell, a nephew of Amos, an able surgeon, widely known and universally respected; Thomas B. Kittredge; Ira Prouty; Thomas E. Hatch; and H. H. Darling, a homeopathist well remembered.

Two dentists cannot be forgotten, the elder and the younger Stratton, the latter the nephew of the former. They were ingenious mechanics and were masters of their profession as it was practised in their time.

I shall attempt no account of the numerous secret and other social organizations in Keene, nor can I attempt to name the long roll of business men who did so much to build up this prosperous city. John Elliot, Justus Perry, Sumner Wheeler, the two Halls, John Fuller, Francis Faulkner, Josiah Colony, Charles Faulkner, Aaron Appleton, a member of congress, S. W. Hale, governor of the state, S. D. Osborne, Lanmon Nims, Henry Colony, first president of the Manchester & Keene Railroad, the latter's brothers, Timothy, Alfred and John Edward, also Joshua D. Colony, E. C. Thayer, George Tilden, E. G. Whitcomb, J. R. Beal, Charles Bridgman, Elbridge and Charles Keyes, J. B. Elliot,

Charles Lamson, Reuel Nims, Eliphalet and Wm. S. Briggs, Henry Pond, Abijah Wilder, Abijah Kingsbury; also Jeremiah Stiles, the old land surveyor; are a few only of the names of those who have passed on to the great majority in former years among our business men. More recently the names of Peter B. Hayward, Caleb T. Buffum, G. D. Harris and Edward Joslin have been added to the number. This list will be conspicuous for the many names which it omits, nor can I allude to the business of any who are now living.

The succession of public improvements in Keene has been rapid in the past half century. Men now living have witnessed the completion of three steam railroads into this place, now operated by one company; the introduction of the telegraph and the telephone; the establishment of a good fire department, with two steamers; paved streets, macadamized highways, and a street sprinkling apparatus; the inauguration of a system of water works which supplies the city with an abundance of pure water; an adequate system of drainage; the introduction of illuminating gas and more recently of electric lighting; the founding of the Invalids' Home and of the Elliot City Hospital, which last named institution preserves the name of a generous benefactor, as well as the Edward Joslin Building for Nurses which adjoins it; the building of the headquarters for the Young Men's Christian Association on West street; the founding of a daily newspaper; and, last of all, the construction of two lines of electric railways, under one company, the second of which was opened to travel yesterday. All these useful institutions and improvements are comparatively recent. They are but a few of all that might be named, although they are the more important.

In addition to these public utilities, we must remember our park system, for which we are indebted to our worthy citizen, Mr. George A. Wheelock, as well as to certain ladies.

Now, as we look to the future, we fancy that the

comforts of life which it has been our privilege to enjoy, manifold as they seem to us, are but few in comparison with the luxuries which applied science will bring to future generations. Let us be grateful for any part, however small, which it shall be the good fortune of any one of us to take in promoting the welfare of our honored town and city. Let the recollection of those worthy forefathers, some of whose names have been so hastily brought to your notice, stimulate you all to do your whole duty that the Keene of the future may sustain the enviable reputation which the Keene of the past has enjoyed, of being one of the most orderly and best governed, as well as one of the most beautiful cities in the American union.

ORDINANCES AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCILS IN 1902.

CITY OF KEENE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED
AND TWO.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the L. S. Lord cemetery fund.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the city hereby accepts the sum of two hundred dollars, in trust as a cemetery fund to be called the L. S. Lord fund, the income to be used in the care and repair of the L. S. Lord lot in Woodland cemetery, and the city treasurer is hereby authorized to receipt for the same and deposit the sum in the city treasury, in accordance with the provisions of Section 6, Chapter VI, City Ordinances.

Passed December 18, 1902.

CITY OF KEENE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED
AND THREE.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to regular meetings.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the city councils meet on the first and third Thursdays of each month, at 7.30 o'clock p. m., for general business.

Passed January 6, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to annual appropriations.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That in accordance with the recommendation of the committee on finance, the following sums be and hereby are appropriated:

Ordinary city charges,	\$7,500 00
City paupers,	2,000 00
Highways and bridges,	10,000 00
Macadam,	2,000 00
Fire department,	5,000 00
Police department,	3,500 00
Street lights,	8,500 00
Public library, books,	500 00
Public library, expense,	1,800 00
Memorial services,	175 00
Interest on railroad gratuity bonds,	1,000 00
Interest on sewerage bonds,	2,800 00
Interest on water bonds, loan of 1887,	1,295 00
Interest on water bonds, loan of 1891,	1,800 00
Interest on water bonds, loan of 1902,	875 00
Payment of railroad gratuity bonds,	15,000 00
Public parks,	200 00
H. O. Coolidge annuity,	800 00
School books and supplies,	3,000 00
Elliot city hospital,	500 00
Interest on Thayer & Chapin fund,	175 00

Cemetery department,	\$300 00
School board and board of education,	240 00
Interest on floating indebtedness,	477 38
Sewer department,	1,000 00
Drain department,	1,000 00
Interest on cemetery funds,	228 32
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	\$71,665 70

And that the sum of fifty thousand dollars be raised by taxation, and the balance be paid from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed January 15, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the old hook and ladder truck.

Resolved by the city councils of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of one hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of painting and repairing the old hook and ladder truck.

Passed January 15, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to payment on floating debt.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of eight hundred ten dollars and thirteen cents, withdrawn from the Keene Five Cents Savings Bank (water loan sinking fund), be applied on the floating debt incurred in payment of old water works bonds.

Passed January 15, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to a reward.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the mayor be and hereby is authorized to offer a reward of three hundred dollars for the apprehension or information which will secure the apprehension of the party or parties who have set fire to various buildings near the Boston & Maine railroad tracks during the past year.

Passed January 23, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to certificates of deposit and trust funds.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows;

That the joint standing committee on finance be and hereby is authorized and instructed to convert into money the several certificates of deposit in the hands of the treasurer which belong to certain trust funds held by the city and, in the exercise of a wise discretion, invest the several amounts derived from the principal thereof, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Statutes and the Ordinances of the city of Keene relating thereto.

Passed February 5, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the Minister fund.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of two hundred ten and eighty-seven one hundredths dollars, the amount of a dividend paid by the Keene Five Cents Savings Bank Minister fund, be separated from any money in the treasury and deposited

in the Keene Savings Bank, under the direction of the joint standing committee on finance.

Passed February 5, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to certain trust funds.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of forty and thirty-nine one-hundredths dollars, the same being the amount of the several dividends withdrawn from the Keene Five Cents Savings Bank, to wit:

F. H. Keyes fund,	\$5 08
Ashley Jones fund,	5 08
Arad Fletcher fund,	15 23
E. A. Packard fund,	15 00
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	\$40 39

Be and hereby is ordered paid into the treasury in accordance with the provisions of Section 6, Chapter VI, City Ordinances.

Passed February 5, 1903.

MONTCLAIR, N. J., February 2, 1903.

To the Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Enclosed please find the sum of one hundred dollars which is hereby given to the city of Keene, N. H., to be placed with other trust funds of a like nature and to be forever held by said city, the income thereof to be used for the care and keeping in good order the lot in Woodland cemetery known as the Clark Dodge lot.

Trusting this may be acceptable, I remain

Very truly,

MRS. LORA STRATTON,
68 Valley Road.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the Lora Stratton fund.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That, whereas, Mrs. Lora Stratton has paid to the city clerk the sum of one hundred dollars for a cemetery fund, therefore

Resolved, That the city of Keene, by its councils hereby accepts said sum of one hundred dollars, in trust, the income only to be used in keeping in good condition the Clark Dodge lot in Woodland cemetery, and that the fund be deposited in the city treasury, in accordance with the provisions of Section 6, Chapter VI, City Ordinances.

Passed February 5, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the F. S. Wheeler cemetery fund.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That, whereas, Frank S. Wheeler has paid to the city clerk the sum of one hundred dollars for a cemetery fund, therefore

Resolved, That the city of Keene, by its councils hereby accepts said sum of one hundred dollars, in trust, the income only to be used in keeping in good condition the Wheeler lot, situated between the Wood and Perry lots, in Woodland cemetery, and that the fund be deposited in the city treasury, in accordance with the provisions of Section 6, Chapter VI, City Ordinances.

Passed February 5, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to plans of Greenlawn and Washington cemeteries.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That a sum not exceeding \$150.00 be and hereby is appropriated, for the purpose of preparing suitable plans and other records relating to Greenlawn and Washington cemeteries, from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed February 5, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to fire hose.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars be and hereby is appropriated from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purchase of fire hose under the direction of the joint standing committee on fire department.

Passed February 19, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to extension of water main.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of three thousand two hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the extension of the water main on Eastern avenue from Water street to Marlboro street.

Passed February 19, 1903.

To the Honorable City Councils of the City of Keene:

Respectfully represents Charles L. Russell of Swanzey,

in the County of Cheshire, that he proposes to erect upon his Water street property a plant for the manufacture of chairs or other wooden articles. He proposes that the main building shall be of brick, 50 by 120 feet, which with engine and boiler room and other buildings will cost about \$15,000. His equipment and stock will bring the amount of capital he proposes to use at first to from \$20,000 to \$25,000, and probably more in the future.

He therefore respectfully asks that said manufacturing plant, his stock in trade and the capital he may use in operating the same be exempt from taxation for the term of ten years.

CHARLES L. RUSSELL.

A JOINT RESOLUTION exempting certain property of Charles L. Russell.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

Whereas, Charles L. Russell proposes to erect upon his Water street property a plant for the manufacture of chairs or other wooden articles, including a main building of brick, 50 by 120 feet, which with engine and boiler room and other buildings will cost about \$15,000; equipment and stock, bringing the capital used at first about \$25,000.

Resolved, That said manufacturing plant, the stock in trade, and the capital used in carrying on said business by said Charles L. Russell, Harry L. Russell and Geo. T. Russell, or either of them, be exempt from taxation for the term of ten years from this date, to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars.

Passed March 5, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the Henry Griffith cemetery fund.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That, whereas, Oscar J. Howard, executor of the will of Henry Griffith, late of said Keene, is now ready to pay over to said city the sum of one hundred dollars for a cemetery fund, therefore

Resolved, That the city by its councils hereby accepts said fund, in trust, the income only to be used to take care of the lot in Woodland cemetery, where said Henry Griffith is buried, and the city clerk is directed to receipt for the same and deposit said fund in the city treasury, in accordance with Section 6, Chapter VI, City Ordinances.

Passed March 5, 1903.

To the Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen:

The undersigned desires to give to the city of Keene, the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100), in trust, the interest thereof to be used annually, for the care of the Semira Stearns Cole lot in Woodland cemetery.

MARY ANN BALL.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the Semira Stearns Cole cemetery fund.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the city of Keene, by its councils hereby accepts the sum of one hundred dollars from Mrs. Mary A. Ball, the same to be held in trust by said city forever, and the income thereof only to be used in keeping in good condition the lot numbered twenty-two in section numbered eight, situated in the western division of Woodland cemetery, and the city clerk is hereby authorized to receipt for the same and deposit said fund in the city treasury in accordance with Section 6, Chapter VI, City Ordinances.

Passed March 5, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the sale and purchase of horses.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the mayor and superintendent of streets be and hereby are authorized to sell one of the horses owned by the city, and cared for by Driver George W. Scripture, and procure by purchase another horse for the use of the city such as in their judgment will best meet the requirements, and that the sum of two hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for said purchase or such part of it as may be needed.

Passed March 19, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to water pipe lines in the Eastern division of Woodland cemetery.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the joint standing committee on burying grounds be and is hereby authorized to cause water pipe lines to be laid in the eastern division of Woodland cemetery, in accordance with a plan herewith submitted and that the sum of two hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be added to the amount heretofore appropriated for the use of the cemetery department in aid of said work.

And be it further resolved that the water commissioners be and hereby are instructed to make the necessary extension, by way of North Lincoln street, of water mains to connect with the above named pipe lines, and that a sum not exceeding four hundred fifty-eight and twenty-two one-hundredths dollars be and is hereby appropriated from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to cover the cost of said extension.

Passed March 19, 1903.

KEENE, N. H., April 1, 1903.

To the City Councils of Keene:

I desire to give to the city the sum of one hundred dollars, the income only to be used in taking care of the Edward Cole Aldrich lot in Greenlawn cemetery numbered 34 on the plan of said cemetery on file at the city clerk's office.

HANNAH ALDRICH.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the Aldrich cemetery fund.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the city of Keene hereby accepts the sum of one hundred dollars from Mrs. Hannah Aldrich, in trust, the income thereon to be used in taking care of the Edward Cole Aldrich lot in Greenlawn cemetery and numbered 34 on the plan of said cemetery on file at the office of the city clerk; that the city clerk is hereby authorized to receipt for said fund and deposit the same in the city treasury in accordance with the provisions of Section 6, Chapter VI, City Ordinances.

Passed April 2, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to income of certain trust funds.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the interest on the Ladies' Wildwood Park fund, amounting to seven and fifty-seven one-hundredths dollars, be paid to the executive committee of said Park Association; that the interest on the Firemen's Relief fund, amounting to ten and seventy-eight one-hundredths dollars, be deposited in the Keene Savings Bank; and that the interest on the Minister fund, amounting to eighty-three and sixty-three one-hundredths dollars, be divided among the

resident clergymen of the city in accordance with the terms of the trust.

Passed April 2, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to dividends Cheshire Provident Institution.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the several sums withdrawn from the Cheshire Provident Institution be separated from any money in the treasury and disposed of as follows, to wit:

The sum of \$1,330.50 paid on the floating debt to retire old water works bonds; the sum of \$51.00 library fund and \$51.00 Ladies' Park fund, deposited to the credit of said funds in the Cheshire County Savings Bank; and that the sum of \$71.40, comprising dividends on the

Bowker fund,	\$15 30
Towns fund,	5 10
Ingersoll fund,	25 50
Whitney fund,	5 10
Gates fund,	5 10
Russell fund,	15 30
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	\$71 40

be deposited in the city treasury in accordance with the provisions of Section 6, Chapter VI, City Ordinances.

Passed April 2, 1903.

To the Honorable City Councils of the City of Keene:

Daniel McGregor of said Keene respectfully represents that he is desirous of erecting and maintaining a business sign on the outside edge of the sidewalk in front of the northeast corner of Lamson Block, at the corner of Main street and the alley leading to Desmond's livery stable, and asks leave of your honorable bodies to erect and maintain said sign.

DANIEL MCGREGOR.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to a sign in the highway.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That Daniel McGregor is hereby granted permission to erect a sign on the outer edge of the sidewalk in front of the northeast corner of the Lamson Block, so called, under the direction of the joint standing committee on streets.

Passed April 16, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the 150th anniversary of the founding of the town of Keene.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the mayor, one alderman, the president of the common council and two councilmen be appointed to take into consideration the matter of celebrating the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the town of Keene.

Passed April 16, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to city hall.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the standing committee on city hall be and is hereby authorized and instructed to revise and compile the existing regulations governing the use of city hall; and to prepare a schedule of rates to be charged, and forms of contracts and agreements to be used by the city messenger, and report to the city councils at a future meeting.

Passed April 16, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to street watering.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the joint standing committee on streets be and hereby is authorized and instructed to cause to be watered, during the current year, such public streets and places as they, in their discretion, may deem judicious.

That the superintendent of streets be and hereby is instructed to furnish the said committee with two pairs of the city's horses and drivers therefor, for the purposes aforesaid; but said horses shall always be at the absolute disposal of the proper authorities whenever required for the use of the fire department.

That the board of mayor and aldermen be and hereby is authorized and instructed to assess upon each estate abutting upon the streets and places so watered in 1902, the sum of two dollars to cover the cost of such watering, and to certify the amount of such assessments upon each estate so assessed to the collector of taxes, who shall include the same in the next tax bill issued for the annual tax on each of said estates, unless the same shall have been previously paid.

That such assessments shall be paid to the collector of taxes, and shall be due and payable on June first next.

That the streets so designated, and no others, shall be watered during the present year; provided, however, that said committee may cause to be watered other streets, or parts of streets, in their discretion, whenever two-thirds of the abutters upon any given street, or part of a street, shall so request in writing.

That in case the street watering service be extended as aforesaid, the committee aforesaid shall at once report the same to the board of mayor and aldermen, who shall proceed to assess the estates of all abutters upon such streets, or parts of streets, as hereinbefore provided, and certify the same to the collector of taxes, who shall collect the same in accordance with the provisions of this resolution hereinbefore contained.

Passed April 16, 1903.

To the City Councils:

Gentlemen:—The standing committee on city hall to whom was referred the matter of revising and compiling regulations and prices to be charged for the use of city hall, beg leave to report they have attended to the duty assigned them and present the following schedule of prices to be charged, and rules and regulations for the care of city hall, and recommend the adoption of a bill entitled, "A resolution relating to regulations and prices for the use of city hall."

JAMES S. TAFT,
H. T. KNAPP,
J. F. EMMONS,

Standing Committee on City Hall.

Keene, N. H., May 1, 1003.

SCHEDULE OF PRICES FOR THE USE OF CITY HALL.

Transient entertainments,	\$35 00
Entertainments, local management,	22 00
Dance, till 11.30 o'clock, p. m.,	20 00
Per hour after 11.30 o'clock,	2 00
Concert or lecture,	20 00
Matinee, transient,	23 00
Matinee, local management,	15 00
For decorating or rehearsal, evening,	3 50
For decorating or rehearsal, day,	2 00
Assistants (to be employed) each man, per evening,	75
Stand of 3 days, 10 per cent. discount from regular rate including one matinee, free.	
Stand of 6 days, 15 per cent. discount from regular rate including two matinees, free.	
Extra work performed at the rate of 20c per hour.	

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE CARE AND RENTAL OF CITY HALL.

1st. All contracts for the use of city hall shall be made with the city messenger.

2d. The arranging of all extra staging, scenery, decorations, etc., shall be done under the supervision of the

messenger, and all such arrangements as will require the driving of nails or screws, or the boring of holes in the floors or other parts of the hall, or anything which would tend to the injury of said hall, is strictly forbidden, without special permission from the messenger.

3d. All parties leasing the hall, and bringing in or using tables, scenery, baggage or other articles not usually kept in the audience rooms, must remove the same within a reasonable time after their use, and the hall, ante-rooms, etc., must be left in as good condition as when taken, reasonable wear and use excepted.

4th. All damages to the hall or furniture other than ordinary wear, must be paid for by the parties using the hall, at the appraisal of the standing committee on city hall.

5th. In all cases the payment for the use of the hall and incidental charges must be paid to the messenger on the evening of occupancy.

6th. Smoking in or about the hall, eating nuts and throwing shells or any other substance upon the floors, or committing any nuisance, is strictly forbidden, and any one known to be guilty of the same shall forthwith be removed from the hall and shall be subject to a fine of not less than one dollar. And any one violating the provisions of the New Hampshire laws, 1903, forbidding any person to spit upon any sidewalk, hall, or public place, shall be fined not exceeding ten dollars.

7th. Standing upon the seats, or sitting upon the arms of the same, or standing about the doorways or upon the stairs, during any occupancy of the hall, is also forbidden.

8th. No person shall paste bills upon any part of the city hall building, except upon the boards erected for that purpose.

9th. The city marshal, city messenger, constables, and all police officers shall see that the above rules and regulations are strictly enforced.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to regulations and prices for the use of city hall.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the regulations and schedule of prices herewith presented, as compiled by the standing committee on city hall, and dated May 1, 1903, be and hereby are adopted.

Passed May 7, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the use of city hall.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the standing committee on city hall be and hereby is authorized to grant to John Sedgwick Post, G. A. R., the free use of city hall on the thirtieth day of May, 1903.

Passed May 7, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to free public band concerts.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of four hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, in aid of free public band concerts, said amount to be at the disposal of and expended under the direction of the committee of the city councils heretofore appointed, in connection with the celebration of the 150th anniversary of the founding of the town of Keene.

Passed May 7, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the purchase of a sprinkling cart.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the mayor and the joint standing committee on streets be and they are hereby authorized and instructed to purchase a street sprinkling cart, in the exercise of their discretion, and that the expense of the same be charged against the amount collected for street sprinkling; said amount not to exceed three hundred and twenty-five dollars.

Passed May 7, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to a discount on taxes.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the tax collector be and hereby is authorized and instructed to allow a discount of two per centum on all taxes assessed the present year which shall be paid on or before August 1, 1903.

Passed May 7, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to pay of inspectors.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the inspectors of ballots be paid the sum of two dollars each for services on May 12th, next, and that the sum of forty dollars be and hereby is appropriated for that purpose out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, and that the city clerk be authorized to certify the several claims to the city auditor.

Passed May 7, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to license fees.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the license fees for licenses which may be granted in the city of Keene, under the Act to Regulate the Traffic in Intoxicating Liquor, passed at the recent session of the State Legislature, shall be the maximum amounts provided by said act for each class of licenses respectively as therein specified.

Passed May 13, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to a spur track for Charles L. Russell.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That Charles L. Russell be given a license to keep and maintain a railroad track across the highway known as Water street at a point and in the direction indicated upon a plan marked, "Plan showing desired re-location of spur track for C. L. Russell, Water street, Keene. Samuel Wadsworth, surveyor, May 18, 1903," herewith submitted, and use the same for the purposes of his business upon the following conditions:

Said Russell shall pay one-half of the expense of grates, catch basins and necessary connections with the drain at said crossing, and at his own expense shall send a flagman in advance of any car or locomotive crossing said highway, and said Russell shall always at his own expense maintain a plank crossing between the tracks and for a space of fifteen inches on each side thereof across said highway and keep said tracks and crossing in proper condition and repair for travel and other lawful business upon said highway; the construction of said railroad to be upon the grade to be hereafter determined by the board of mayor and aldermen, and to take place under the oversight and approval of said board; said license to be revocable at any

time the city councils may deem it advisable, and it is granted upon the further condition that said Russell agree to indemnify the city of Keene and save it harmless from all damage, cost and expense to which it may in any way become liable by reason of the construction, maintenance and operation of said railroad.

Passed May 21, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to surface water drains.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the care of all surface water drains, whether situate within the limits of the highway or on private lands, used by the city for municipal drainage, be placed in the charge of the water, sewer and drain commissioners.

Passed May 21, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the repairs of concrete walks.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of eight hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the repairs of concrete sidewalks and cross walks under the direction of the joint standing committee on streets.

Passed May 21, 1903.

To the City Councils of the City of Keene:

Respectfully represent the Abbott Grocery Company and Charles C. Abbott that said Abbott Grocery Company desires to install in its buildings upon Railroad Square in said city, and said Abbott in his house on Washington

street in said Keene, a thermostat system which shall sound an independent alarm in the fire station. Said system is to be installed by the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company, in accordance with the specifications and under the supervision of the Board of Underwriters of the State of New Hampshire. The wiring from said buildings will be connected through the underground cable of the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company, and be maintained by said parties at their own expense.

They therefore ask that they be permitted to make connection at the fire station in said Keene with a fire alarm, under the direction of the board of engineers of the fire department.

ABBOTT GROCERY CO.
C. C. ABBOTT.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to a thermostat connection with an independent alarm bell at the fire station.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the Abbott Grocery Company and Charles C. Abbott be and they hereby are granted permission to install, at their own expense, in the buildings of said company on Railroad Square, and in the dwelling of Charles C. Abbott on Washington street in said city, a thermostat system, which shall sound an independent alarm at the fire station, in accordance with their petition and the report of the joint standing committee on fire department, the same to be maintained at their expense.

Passed June 4, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to improvements of city hall stage and interior.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the mayor and joint standing committee on city hall be and they hereby are authorized and instructed to make certain improvements of city hall stage and interior,

and that the sum of two thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for said purposes.

Passed June 4, 1903.

To the City Councils:

I desire to pay over to the city the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars to be held in trust, the income thereon to be annually expended in taking care of the Jennie E. Ball lot in Woodland cemetery, numbered 523 on a plan of said cemetery on file at the office of the city clerk; said fund to be known as the Jennie E. Ball fund.

JULIA B. THAYER.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the Jennie E. Ball cemetery fund.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That, whereas, Mrs. Julia B. Thayer has offered to the city of Keene the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, to be known as the Jennie E. Ball cemetery fund, the same to be held in trust and the income thereon only used in taking care of lot No. 523 in Woodland cemetery, therefore,

Resolved, That the city of Keene by its councils hereby accepts said fund for the purpose named, and that the city clerk be instructed to receipt for the same and deposit said sum in the city treasury in accordance with Section 6, Chapter VI, City Ordinances.

Passed June 4, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the pay of firemen and other work at brush fires.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of seventy-four dollars and twenty-five cents be and hereby is appropriated from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to pay firemen and others for services at brush fires, as follows: April 19, 1903, on land of A. Stearns; May 2, on land at West Keene; May 10, on land of one Barry; May 12 and 13, on land of Wyman and Loveland at West Keene; and May 26, on land of one Perry, situate on the Walpole road, and for teams to carry them there and back again, and the city clerk is hereby directed to certify the above amount to the auditor and disburse it, each person receipting for the amount opposite his name.

Passed June 18, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the Police Benevolent fund.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of two hundred dollars, it being the balance paid on a local mortgage belonging to the Police Benevolent fund, and the interest received by the city treasurer on June 17, 1903, amounting to the sum of thirteen dollars and ninety-two cents, be separated from any money in the treasury and deposited in the Keene Savings Bank in the account of said fund, and that the city clerk be and hereby is authorized to certify the same to the auditor.

Passed June 18, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to division of school money.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the money by law assessed in the city of Keene

for the support of schools the present year amounting to the sum of \$17,544, the literary fund of \$787.50, and the unexpended balance of the dog license fees of \$889.79, making a total of \$19,221.29, be divided between the school districts as follows, viz: \$75.00 be assigned to each of the twenty-five schools in union district, amounting to \$1,875, and the same amount to each of the eleven schools in the city district, amounting to \$825, and the balance of \$16,521.29 be apportioned pro rata among the 1530 scholars in union district, and the 168 scholars in the city district, making the whole amount apportioned to union district, \$16,761.67, and to the city district, \$2,459.62.

Passed June 18, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to adjournment.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That when these bodies adjourn, it be to meet on Thursday, September 3d, 1903, at 7.30 o'clock p. m., unless otherwise ordered by the mayor.

Passed June 18, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the payment of land loans.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of three thousand eight hundred and twenty-five dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the payment of the land loan authorized by vote of the councils, passed on August 22, 1901, and the city clerk is hereby authorized to certify the claim to the auditor.

Passed September 3, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to a drain in Pleasant street.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of eight hundred and fifty dollars be and hereby is appropriated from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the construction of a drain in Pleasant street, under the direction of the joint standing committee on water works, sewers and drains.

Passed September 3, 1903.

AN ORDINANCE in amendment of Section 3, Chapter VIII, City Ordinances.

Be it ordained by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That Section 3 of Chapter VIII, of the City Ordinances be amended by adding the following paragraph at the end thereof:

In addition to the foregoing compensation, each fireman, or other person, who, under the direction of the board of engineers, answers a telephone or still alarm, not exceeding four persons, or performs service at a brush fire, shall receive twenty-five cents per hour in full payment for such service. The names of such persons as may perform the foregoing services, with the place visited, time employed and compensation due, set opposite their respective names, shall be certified, within fifteen days from the end of each month, as a pay roll by the clerk of the board of engineers to the city clerk, who shall certify the same to the auditor and disburse the amount specified to the employees, taking their receipt therefor.

Passed September 3, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION in relation to the surfacing a portion of Main street.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of two hundred dollars, or so much of said sum as is needed, be and hereby is appropriated from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the cost of surfacing Main street, between the Beaver Brook and Branch bridges, with screened Branch gravel, to be laid of such depth as is deemed advisable by the city engineer and highway commissioners, and that said roadway be surfaced with macadam made of screened uncrushed gravel.

The purpose of this resolution is to provide a sum of money to pay the cost of screening and rolling said gravel, rather than to use unscreened gravel to finish grading the street.

Passed September 3, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to exemption from taxation.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

Whereas Burt Chellis proposes to erect and equip a factory for the manufacture of tubs and pails and other woodworking on the property belonging to him on the easterly side of Washington street in said Keene, formerly belonging to Charles Giffin,

Resolved, That such manufacturing establishment, including the real estate, machinery and stock in trade, and the capital used in the operation of the same, not to exceed in all the sum of \$50,000, be exempt from taxation as to said Chellis and his heirs and assigns, while the same shall be in actual operation for the purposes aforesaid, for the period of ten years from the first day of April, 1904.

Passed September 17, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the inspection of the Keene Fire Department.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of sixty dollars be and is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the expenses of the annual inspection of the Keene Fire Department, under the direction of the board of engineers.

Passed September 17, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the appropriation of interest.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of one hundred eighty-seven dollars and sixty-three cents being the amount of the interest received on several trust funds, be and is hereby separated from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, and appropriated for the several purposes of the trusts, as follows:

For the purchase of books, public library, Ingersoll fund, \$51.43; Ladies' Wildwood Park Association, Ingersoll fund, \$51.43; Cemetery Department, Cemetery funds, for the care of lots, \$84.77.

Passed November 5, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to additional appropriations.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That in addition to the sums heretofore appropriated, the following sums be and hereby are appropriated from

any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the following named uses, to wit:

Ordinary city expenses,	\$1,500 00
Parks,	100 00
Macadam,	161 59
Screened Branch gravel macadam,	14 00
Quarantine,	50 00
Eastern Avenue extension,	35 80
City hall,	155 01

Passed November 5, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to numbering buildings.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That Engineer Wadsworth be and is hereby authorized and instructed to procure numbers, affix the same to buildings not now numbered, on such basis of frontage as shall seem to him to be best, and record the same by plans in the office of the city clerk.

Resolved, That the sum of fifty dollars be and is hereby appropriated for the above named purposes, from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed November 5, 1903.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to annual reports.

Resolved by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That the joint standing committee on printing be and is hereby authorized and instructed to cause a sufficient number of annual reports to be printed, which shall contain the report of the proceedings of the inauguration of the city government in January last, with such joint resolutions and ordinances as have since been passed, to-

gether with the reports of the finance committee, city officers who are required to report, a likeness of the mayor and such other matter as may hereafter be ordered by the board of mayor and aldermen, and also that a sufficient number be bound in leather for exchange, and in cloth for the use of city officers.

Passed November 5, 1903.

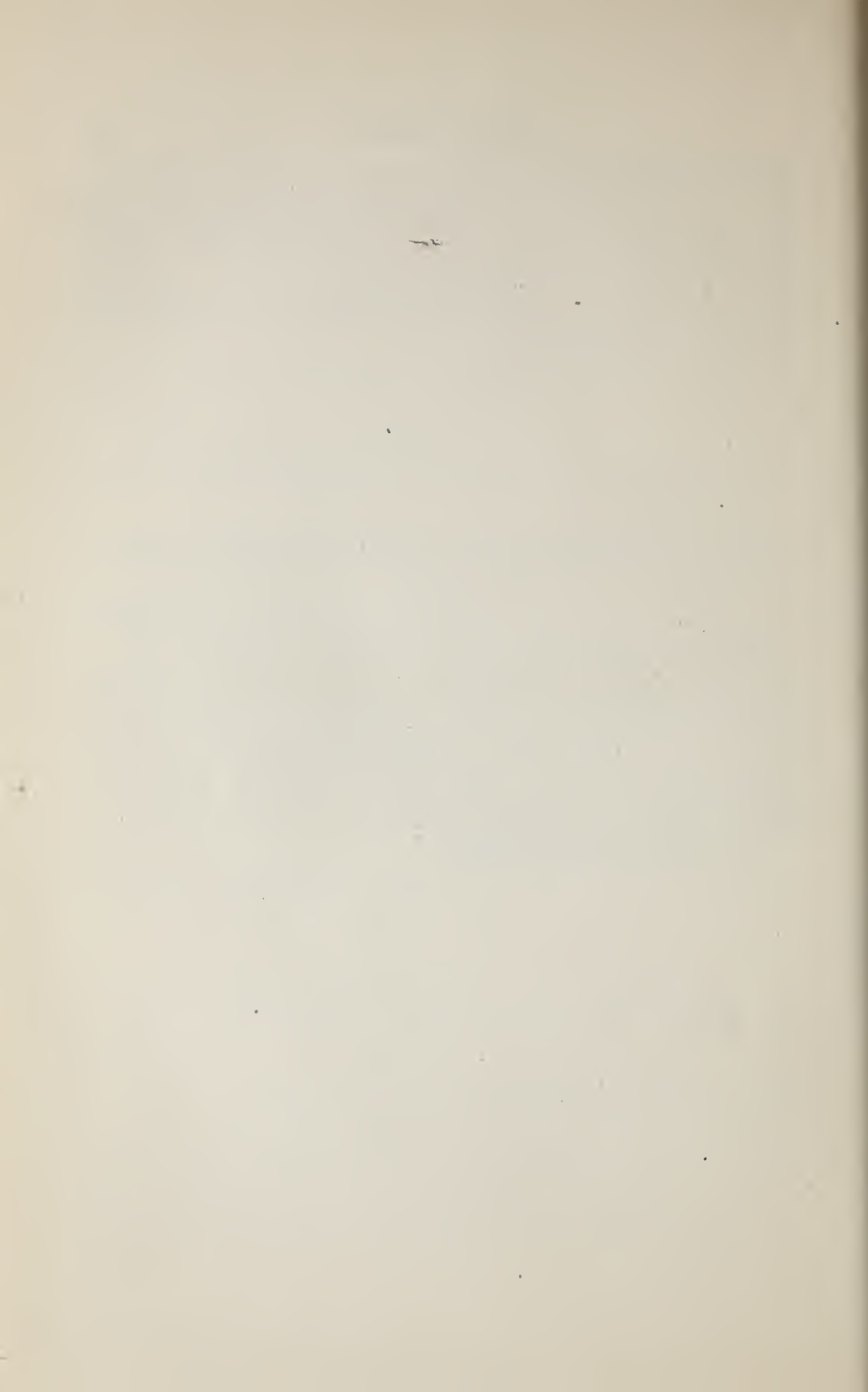
AN ORDINANCE in amendment of Chapter XXXV, City Ordinances.

Be it ordained by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

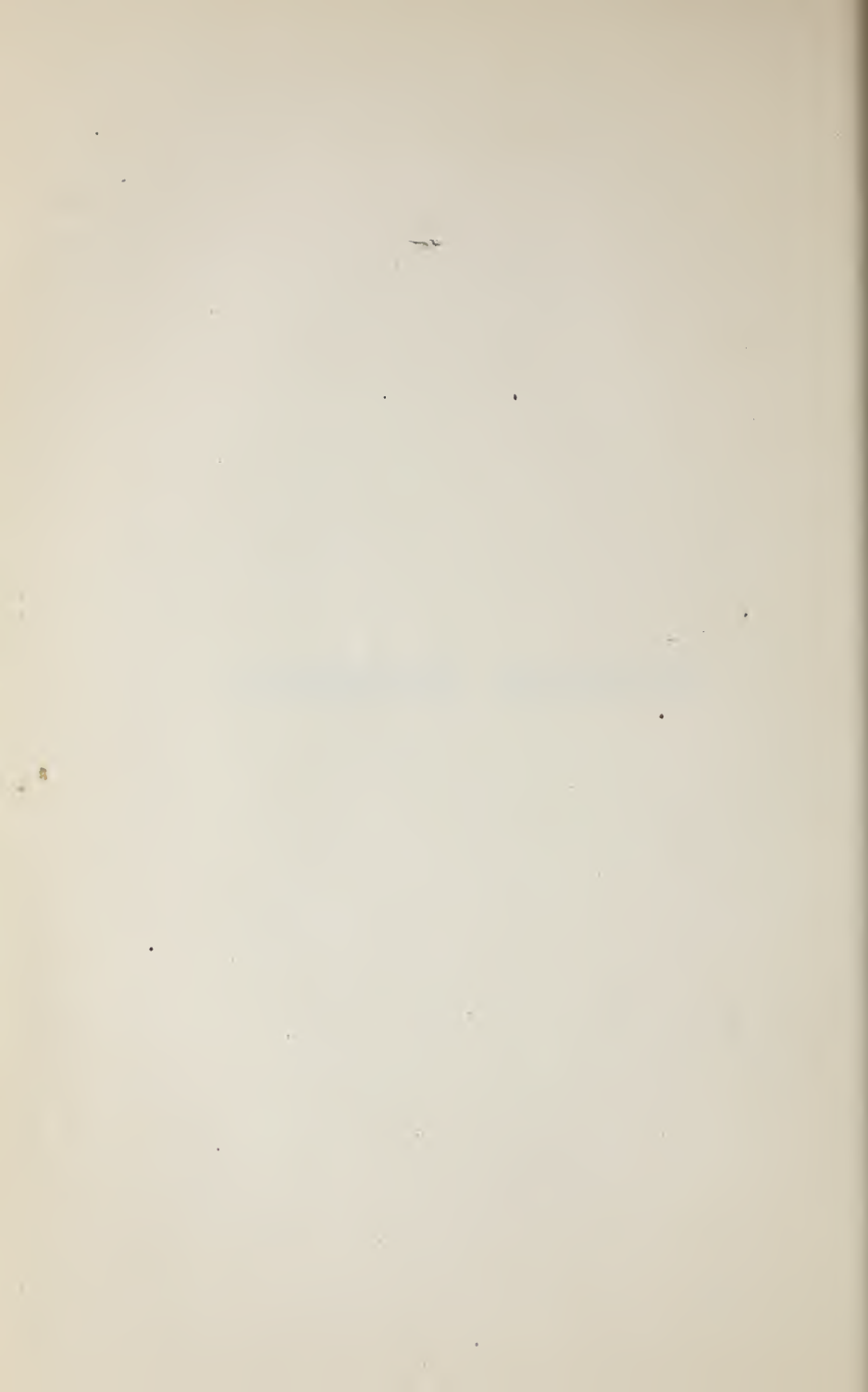
That Section 15 of Chapter XXXV of City Ordinances, be amended so that the same shall read as follows:

SECT. 15. The chief engineer of the fire department shall receive the sum of one hundred dollars, the clerk of the board of engineers the sum of seventy-five dollars, and each of the other assistant engineers the sum of fifty dollars per year in full, for their services, and for all duties appertaining to their respective offices, to be paid at the expiration of their official year.

Passed December 3, 1903.



ANNUAL REPORTS.



REPORT OF THE CITY TREASURER.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Councils:

I herewith present my report as city treasurer for the term from December 1, 1902, to January 10, 1903.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in treasury, Dec. 1, 1902,	\$28,292 93
A. M. Nims, collector, taxes, 1901,	300 00
A. M. Nims, collector, taxes, 1902,	7,400 00
A. M. Nims, collector, water,	8,100 00
J. E. Wright, treasurer,	2,031 51
Frank H. Whitcomb, city clerk,	310 84
S. A. Carter, state treasurer,	11,508 31
P. F. Babbidge, superintendent,	161 12
W. E. Mason, superintendent,	323 50
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	\$58,428 21

DISBURSEMENTS.

City orders,	\$33,523 43
Balance in treasury, January 10, 1903,	24,904 78
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	\$58,428 21
J. E. WRIGHT,	
Treasurer.	

REPORT OF CITY TREASURER.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Councils:

I herewith present my report as city treasurer for the term from January 12, 1903, to December 1, 1903.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in treasury, Jan. 12, 1903,	\$24,904 78
A. M. Nims, collector, taxes, 1898,	338 47
A. M. Nims, collector, taxes, 1899,	350 19
A. M. Nims, collector, taxes, 1900,	549 75
A. M. Nims, collector, taxes, 1901,	305 22
A. M. Nims, collector, taxes, 1902,	8,543 88
A. M. Nims, collector, taxes, 1903,	86,812 49
A. M. Nims, collector, street sprinkling,	1,300 00
A. M. Nims, collector, water,	15,200 00
J. F. Emmons, messenger, rent city hall,	1,555 50
F. H. Whitcomb, city clerk,	4,926 02
P. F. Babbidge, superintendent water, sewers and drains,	3,490 96
L. K. Stiles, city marshal, police depart- ment,	41 00
L. Wellington, plumbers' license,	2 50
A. L. Wright, city treasurer,	3,257 61
W. S. Tuttle, fines and costs,	69 57
E. H. Fletcher, overseer,	3,893 60
J. S. Taft, sale of horse,	100 00
New Hampshire License Commission,	4,653 03
E. A. Nims, superintendent highways,	658 34

W. E. Mason, superintendent cemetery, collections,	\$1,910 14
L. W. Holmes, police court fines,	3,203 00
Solon A. Carter, state treasurer,	11,083 16
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	\$177,149 21

DISBURSEMENTS.

City orders,	\$153,238 02
Balance in treasury,	23,911 19
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	\$177,149 21
	A. L. WRIGHT,
	Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The joint standing committee on finance respectfully lay before the city councils the following statement of all receipts and expenditures from December 1, 1902, to December 1, 1903, together with a schedule of property, real and personal, belonging to the city, and the value thereof, and the amount of the city debt.

EXPENDITURES.

ORDINARY CITY CHARGES.

Balance from last year,	\$1,810 73
Appropriation,	7,500 00
Additional appropriation,	1,500 00
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	\$10,810 73
Paid Francis A. Perry, salary, mayor,	\$125 00
James S. Taft, salary, mayor,	375 00
Frank H. Whitcomb, salary, city clerk,	700 00
John E. Allen, salary, solicitor,	50 00
John E. Allen, solicitor, complaints and warrants,	180 99
Joseph F. Emmons, salary, messenger,	400 00
Charles H. Hersey, salary, auditor,	100 00
Lewis W. Holmes, salary, police justice,	100 00
Jerome E. Wright, treasurer,	12 50
Arthur L. Wright, treasurer,	37 50

Paid Herbert O. Wardwell, salary, clerk of common council,	\$50 00
Ainsworth M. Nims, salary, tax col- lector,	400 00
Daniel R. Cole, salary, assessor,	140 00
Henry W. Nims, salary, assessor,	140 00
Frank K. Jewett, salary, assessor,	140 00
Sylvanus A. Morse, services, assistant assessor,	56 00
Herbert K. Faulkner, member board of health,	75 00
Leonard Wellington, member board of health,	75 00
Charles G. Shedd, member board of health,	75 00
James S. Taft, salary, moderator,	2 00
Franklin H. Fay, salary, moderator,	2 00
Frank M. Davis, salary, moderator,	2 00
Fred E. Howe, salary, moderator,	2 00
Charles T. Colony, salary, moderator,	2 00
Ainsworth M. Nims, salary, clerk, and for reports,	7 00
Albert W. Spaulding, salary. clerk, and for reports,	7 00
Hiram F. Newell, salary, clerk, and for reports,	7 00
Sidney Conant, clerk, salary, and re- ports,	7 00
John E. O'Connor, salary, clerk, and for reports,	8 00
Walter E. Bullard, salary, selectman,	5 00
Walter R. Kirk, salary, selectman,	5 00
Luther B. Randall, salary, selectman,	5 00
Frank O. Wright, salary, selectman,	5 00
Frank Chapman, salary, selectman,	5 00
Wilber B. Knight, salary, selectman,	5 00
Albert W. Green, salary, selectman,	5 00

Paid Will H. Cross, salary, selectman,	\$5 00
Royal V. Bryant, salary, selectman,	5 00
Clarence L. Wheeler, salary, selectman,	5 00
Harry L. Lewis, salary, selectman,	5 00
Walter C. Ellis, salary, selectman,	5 00
Albert H. Hamblet, salary, selectman,	5 00
James J. Higgins, salary, selectman,	5 00
Dennis A. McCarthy, salary, selectman,	5 00
John P. Flanagan, supervisor,	45 00
Henry W. Nims, supervisor,	42 50
Joseph F. Emmons, supervisor,	40 00
James B. Duffy, supervisor,	42 50
Loren W. Adams, supervisor,	42 50
Clergymen and others reporting marriages,	24 75
Physicians and others reporting births and deaths,	85 25
Lewis W. Holmes, justice fees,	229 95
George Cole, witness fees,	516 87
Frank H. Whitcomb, weekly pay-roll, carting wood, etc.,	83 90
J. W. Buckminster, wood,	11 59
J. W. Buckminster, teams, etc.,	3 00
Keene Gas Light Co., gas,	550 86
Frank H. Whitcomb, vital statistics, copy tax assessment, etc.,	161 78
G. H. Aldrich & Son, insurance, city hall,	33 69
C. B. Perry & Sons, insurance, city hall,	31 25
George F. Ball, insurance, city hall,	23 00
Mason Insurance Agency, insurance, city hall,	57 15
Pearson Bros., goods,	60 43
Forest J. Twitchell, wood,	204 38
Social and Prosperity club, ward room,	10 00
Frank H. Baldwin, ward room,	40 00
Harry E. Thornton, work, boiler room,	91 43

Paid Lester K. Stiles, witness fees,	\$351 34
New England Telephone and Telegraph Co., use of instruments and tolls,	37 51
Elmer M. Flint, manager, goods,	1 75
Stewart, Warren & Co., treasurer's book,	7 20
Knowlton & Stone, goods,	12 73
Charles S. Wright, witness fees,	10 01
Marcus V. Damon, sawing wood,	47 25
Andrew J. Sweeney, witness fees,	14 63
Frank X. Harmon, witness fees,	1 54
G. H. Tilden & Co., goods,	41 05
Wyman Lawrence, witness fees,	1 54
Herman C. Rice, work, etc.,	5 20
Harry E. Thornton, work, city hall stage,	58 50
Keene Water Works, water for stores,	34 40
William J. Wheelock, work, city hall stage,	53 50
William R. Wiggett, work, city hall stage,	58 50
Reuben Ray, witness fees,	3 85
Sentinel Printing Co., printing city re- ports, etc.,	793 17
George A. Nims & Co., teams,	17 50
Aldrich & Dutton, goods,	3 80
American Express Co., express on ex- change city reports,	2 30
George F. Little, work, city hall stage,	86 00
Reuben Ray, work, etc.,	2 75
J. D. Colony & Sons, printing,	34 00
Impervious Package Co., wood,	405 28
Remington Typewriter Co., goods,	8 45
C. H. Bridgman, goods,	1 25
Eagle Hotel, use of ward room,	10 00
The Davis & Wright Co., goods, etc.,	7 45
J. P. Wellman, postmaster, envelopes,	21 20
Herbert O. Wardwell, rubber stamps,	3 25

Paid Ainsworth M. Nims, salary, liquor agent,	\$150 00
George W. Sargent, repairs, etc.,	3 30
Keene Water Works, wood,	170 00
Leon M. Willard, work and supplies,	9 80
Carey & Faulkner, goods,	10 89
A. B. Skinner Co., goods,	20 53
G. A. Robertson & Co., paper,	5 76
Pinkerton Detective Agency, services,	62 25
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight,	25
Henry Giffin, wood, coal,	557 42
City Ice Co., ice,	1 35
Charles C. Buffum, conveyances and special justice fees,	10 50
Clarence E. Stickney, flue brush,	1 25
Goodnow & Aldrich Co., goods,	30 07
Edward H. Fletcher, dumping ground,	50 00
Nims, Whitney & Co., lumber, etc.,	28 82
Darling & Co., printing,	2 50
A. A. Bartholomew, witness fees,	1 54
Mason Insurance Co., directories,	6 00
Mary F. Elliot, use of ward room and land rent,	20 00
George D. Holland, painting at fire station,	51 50
Gus Frank, moving tables,	50
Philip S. Carroll, 2d, work on chimney, fire station,	1 00
Fred A. Lewis, witness fees,	6 08
Arthur J. Holden, counsel, Mensch,	5 00
Fred E. Howe, preparing polling places,	10 00
City Hotel, board of H. W. Nunn,	7 87
Ferdinand Petts, use of ward room,	10 00
Impervious Package Co., wax,	1 80
J. D. Bartley, book rest,	1 50
Forrest Morey, work, city hall stage,	20 00
George M. Rossman, goods, etc.,	5 40

Paid Robert E. Tolman, witness fees,	\$10 01
H. C. Rice, painting,	50
S. Wadsworth, plans and services,	27 50
Herbert E. Fay, witness fees,	1 54
C. S. Knowles, goods,	3 22
Elliott-Fisher Company, book type- writer,	125 00
J. C. Estabrook, canvassing,	12 50
A. J. Sweeney, canvassing,	12 50
Fred W. Knight, canvassing,	12 50
Charles P. Pitcher, canvassing,	16 50
William T. Winn, canvassing,	17 50
A. W. Green, canvassing,	20 00
L. W. Foskett, canvassing,	12 50
R. S. Graves, canvassing,	16 25
H. A. Davis, canvassing,	16 25
Keene Water Department, work, etc.,	14 04
J. F. Emmons, paid cleaning hall and council rooms,	88 45
Burtis L. Parkman, witness fees,	3 08
William H. Philbrick, witness fees,	23 87
H. Buchholz, services, etc.,	45 00
Granville Wardwell, goods,	15 66
Francis Eyleth, work on boilers,	3 50
Charles E. Foster, work, city hall,	6 40
William M. Clapp, painting fire station roof and tower,	42 27
Henry Martin, witness fee,	77
Roa Martin, witness fee,	77
H. W. Hubbard, work, etc.,	25 93
S. K. Knowles, lamps, etc.,	7 92
George H. Staples, witness fees,	3 85
C. E. Woods, repairs at fire station,	4 25
Wilton H. Spalter, goods,	45 93
Geo. M. Rossman, contract wiring city hall,	269 14
Cassius M. White, lumber and repairs,	143 66

Paid Henry H. Fischer, repairing settees,	\$16 82
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	\$10,250 13
Balance to new account,	\$560 60

CITY PAUPERS.

Balance from last year,	\$128 64
Appropriation,	2,000 00
Dividend, Spaulding fund,	7 95
Dividend, Riordon fund,	4 59
Dividend, M. O'Donnell fund,	99 46
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	\$2,240 64
Paid Edward H. Fletcher, salary and of- fice rent,	\$275 00
John D. Proctor, salary, physician,	100 00
Mrs. Emily Blanchard, support of self,	120 00
County of Cheshire, support of Judd, Baker, Hemphill and Tulley,	847 80
Mrs. William I. Woods, support of self,	78 00
Sumner A. Baker, support of self,	108 00
Henry S. Stevens, groceries,	4 00
O. J. Howard & Co., caskets, etc.,	25 00
Carey & Faulkner, groceries,	4 00
New Hampshire State Hospital, care of Louis Banyea and Mrs. Annie Brown,	440 01
Frank D. Worcester, examination C. Scovell,	5 00
W. E. Mason, burial of an infant,	1 50
C. H. Bridgman, groceries,	4 00
M. V. B. Clark, groceries,	4 00
F. E. Keyes & Co., groceries,	2 00
Elliot City Hospital, care of poor,	1 35

Paid Thomas F. Leahy, rent of Henrietta Pierce,	\$5 50
Nichols & Wardwell, groceries,	2 00
Edward H. Fletcher, services of O'Don- nell,	2 00
William E. Maloney, examination of George Carroll,	5 00
George E. Holbrook & Co., groceries,	2 00
Carl C. Pearson, groceries,	2 00
Boston Branch Grocery, groceries,	2 00
Frank H. Whitcomb, affidavits,	50
W. H. Spalter, goods,	1 30
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	\$2,041 96
Balance to new account,	\$198 68

 COUNTY PAUPERS.

Paid Patrick Hickey, support of self,	\$48 00
Mrs. Mary M. Crouch, support of self,	60 00
Mrs. Hattie L. P. Hastings, support of self,	96 00
Mrs. Arbella Robinson, support of self,	78 00
Mrs. Mary O'Neil, support of self,	48 00
Mrs. Kate Donovan, support of self,	60 00
Isaac Champaigne, support of Mrs. Mary Champaigne,	72 00
Marshall M. Pierce, support of Ida Pierce,	78 20
Nims Bros. & Co., provisions,	12 10
Mrs. E. W. Hadley, support of self,	26 14
Mrs. Mary Winn, support of Mary Bigelow,	78 20
Mrs. William Winn, support of Nellie Mahar,	78 20

Paid Mrs. Abner Sprague, support of self,	\$180 00
Cassius M. White, support of Mrs.	
Esther Whitcomb,	78 20
Ella H. King, support of self,	96 00
James E. Moore, support of self,	40 00
Henry S. Stevens, groceries,	39 00
Miss Catherine B. Hastings, support	
of self,	96 00
William R. Smyth, rent, Mrs. Bur-	
chum,	66 00
Charles Warren, provisions,	14 22
Mrs. Isabel Carney, support of self,	96 00
Charles A. Wales, rent, Mrs. Daniel O.	
Nash,	18 00
Elliot City Hospital, care of poor,	533 92
Carey & Faulkner, provisions,	47 00
Lizzie Clifford, support of Mrs. Geo.	
Seward,	66 00
Frank H. Wright & Co., goods,	2 35
Frank D. Worcester, examination of	
F. Page,	5 00
W. P. Chamberlain & Co., goods,	5 00
Margaret Southwick, support of self,	48 00
John M. Duffy, goods,	7 50
Mrs. Abbie Howard, support of Sulli-	
van children,	168 00
F. E. Safford, milk,	9 06
Mrs. Francis O. Nims, rent, Mrs.	
Clasby and Mrs. Erickson,	120 00
Bertram Ellis, rent, Mrs. Isabel	
Carney,	96 00
Fanny V. Foster, milk, Mrs. B. E.	
Towne,	10 98
Dennis Callahan, milk, Mrs. J. Dono-	
van,	21 90
Edward H. Fletcher, paid Archibald,	
sawing wood,	1 86

Paid C. H. Bridgman, groceries,	\$40 34
James Donahue, sawing wood,	2 00
John P. Rust, wood,	40 25
Emerson E. Davis, sawing wood,	8 52
William P. Chamberlain, rent, Mrs. Griffith and Mrs. Rice,	138 00
W. L. Goodnow Co., goods,	65
Marcus V. Damon, sawing wood,	1 61
Patrick Lawsure, support of Antoine Lawsure,	4 00
M. V. B. Clark, groceries,	53 15
Humphrey Machine Co., rent, Mrs. C. Burns,	15 00
C. M. Cummings, goods,	5 00
F. E. Keyes & Co., groceries,	29 44
Antoine Lawsure, support of self,	32 00
Winslow F. Harris, goods,	5 30
Gardner C. Hill, rent, D. Gilbo,	23 00
Fred J. Cummings, rent, Joslin,	7 00
Nichols & Wardwell, groceries,	35 85
Henry Giffin, wood,	42 59
Putney & Buckminster, keeping a transient,	1 50
Charles G. Putney, rent, Napolitaine,	15 00
Warren B. Fitch, rent, Mrs. Seavey,	60 00
Knowlton & Stone, goods,	1 10
Charles W. Wyman, provisions,	3 20
Faulkner & Colony Manufacturing Co., rent, T. Curran,	15 00
Darwin C. Fogg, rent, Mrs. C. Britton,	60 50
Ellen Hanley, support of self,	42 00
Denis A. Ryan, rent, Louis Castor,	8 00
Levi Morse, sawing wood,	1 00
Mrs. James E. Moore, expense of funeral,	8 00
Leon W. Foster, milk, Mrs. B. E. Towne,	24 57
George E. Holbrook & Co., groceries,	22 00

Paid Eli Chabot, groceries,	\$6 07
Carl C. Pearson, groceries,	24 00
Whitcomb farm, milk, Mrs. Kelleher,	12 84
Ferdinand Petts, rent, Ellen Hanley,	40 00
John M. Duffy, shoes,	
Carpenter & Greene, provisions,	4 80
Boston Branch Grocery, groceries,	16 00
J. S. Towne, rent, Mrs. L. Castor,	12 00
Charles S. Walker, examination E.	
W. Newell,	5 00
Mrs. Mark W. Barron, support of	
self,	8 00
Levi A. Fuller, rent, Reome,	13 00
James H. Spencer, rent, Mary Glynn,	5 40
E. H. Fletcher, expense E. W. Newell,	13 00
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	\$3,506 51

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation, December, 1902,	\$1,500 00
Appropriation, January, 1903,	10,000 00
Transferred from appropriation, store-	
house, city pasture,	73 50
Rent of city pasture and sand sold,	45 60
Received from street sprinkling assess-	
ment,	960 00
Received from Fire Department, alarms,	241 50
Received from Fire Department, keeping	
horses,	260 00
Care of hydrants,	10 00
Water Department, work,	104 40
Sewer Department, work,	16 50
Drain Department, work,	14 00
Lumber sold,	4 94
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	\$13,230 44

Paid account overdrawn,	\$145 30
George H. Eames, salary, road commissioner,	\$25 00
Sidney C. Ellis, salary, road commissioner,	25 00
James F. Morse, salary, road commissioner,	12 50
Warren B. Fitch, salary, road commissioner,	6 25
Elmer A. Nims, salary, and use of horse,	750 00
Frank H. Whitcomb, weekly pay-rolls,	7,752 55
Michael J. Harty, shop pine,	2 00
Nils Johnson, work,	31 34
Amasa O. Amidon, sand and gravel,	76 27
Charles W. Wilber, hay,	50 10
N. G. Gurnsey & Co., Wood's specific,	6 00
Beaver Mills, lumber, etc.,	295 06
Ellen Taft, gravel,	7 00
Clarence N. Holman, work,	26 94
E. Vasco Aldrich, work,	2 14
Sylvanus H. Holman, gravel,	2 90
Rufus S. Graves, work,	18 00
Charles H. Fairfield, gravel,	43 00
Clinton P. Bugbee, services,	43 50
Pearson Bros., goods,	18 30
John H. Robbins, gravel,	14 40
Carlton Wheeler, gravel,	2 80
Mrs. Charles J. Haywood, gravel,	13 30
Elmer A. Nims, gravel,	6 00
Damon C. Twitchell, ploughing walks,	17 25
Charles W. Scripture, work with team,	51 35
Carl Ek, gravel,	2 00
Charles L. Smith, drawing sand,	75 00
Hezro W. Hubbard, repairs,	90
E. A. Messer, work on plows,	11 00

Paid George S. Bigelow, work,	\$8 25
John M. Grout, ploughing walks,	21 00
Knowlton & Stone, goods,	238 79
Silas Hardy, gravel,	9 00
William B. Reed, gravel,	7 20
Tellis Merchant, bridge stone,	3 50
Elmer L. Willard, work,	11 00
Fred Knight, gravel,	3 90
John Carpenter, repairs,	29 30
Abbott Wright, gravel,	6 50
Young Jones, shoeing,	56 83
Thomas A. Hastings, stringers, etc.,	192 21
J. Cushing & Co., grain,	236 45
D. R. & F. A. Cole, grain,	243 00
Charles H. Wright Estate, work with team,	3 50
Joseph Chase, gravel,	2 50
Reuben Ray, repairs, etc.,	82 87
Thomas M. Aldrich, hay,	92 06
J. H. Spencer, shoeing,	40 13
George B. Robertson, shoeing, etc.,	90 09
J. W. Buckminster, gravel,	30 50
Carey Faulkner, goods,	9 80
George F. Ball, insurance,	12 75
A. B. Skinner Co., goods,	2 25
Spencer Hardware Co., goods,	75 63
Eames & Towne, plow handles, etc.,	136 56
Samuel C. Murdough, ploughing walks,	17 75
Henry Giffin, coal,	76 65
Calice Bergeron, work,	22 40
Edward H. Fletcher, ploughing walks,	18 75
Frank H. Baldwin, goods,	8 70
Leavitt W. Safford, work with team,	26 75
Nims, Whitney & Co., lumber, etc.,	16 29
Mrs. A. E. Snow, gravel,	26 00
Henry O. Estey, work,	22 50
Charles P. Russell, snowing bridge,	4 00

Paid J. Hadlock, stone forks,	\$12 00
James Murray, work,	32 25
Harold L. Bond, steel hoes,	6 75
John R. Russell, work,	22 50
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight bills,	26
Pearson Bros., goods,	3 33
Charles E. Thomas, hay,	45 30
F. E. Keyes & Co., dynamite, etc.,	22 63
David B. Stearns, work with team,	23 25
Bullard & Shedd Co., goods,	5 75
Samuel O. Gates, nutritone,	4 00
C. H. Watkins, hay,	26 19
Mrs. M. E. Ellis, hay, gravel,	11 90
Herman C. Rice, painting,	14 40
Daniel McGregor, bridles,	5 75
Robert Brooks, painting hames,	4 50
Daniel E. Hathorn, work with team,	66 75
Wilkinson & Co., goods,	6 85
Leavitt W. Safford, hay,	121 50
Ed. Scripture, work,	9 00
Thomas T. Russell, ploughing roads,	19 80
Wilder F. Gates, work with team,	125 20
Wilton H. Spalter, goods,	25
Herbert A. Davis, work,	60
Albert H. Hamblet, hay,	45 23
Peter Connor, goods,	38 33
Frank O. Wright, sand,	70 00
Michael J. Harty, concreting floor at storehouse,	154 62
William C. Bigelow, work,	4 70
C. S. Carlin & Co., shoeing,	12 10
Charles P. Pitcher, bridge plank,	18 80
Samuel Wadsworth, surveying and services,	54 50
Myron C. Ellis, work with team,	59 50
Edward J Guillo, hay,	11 48
Keene Water Department, work, etc.,	35 67

Paid James Connors, hay,	\$19 23
Geo. H. Eames, goods,	52 32
Lewis K. Libby, stone,	15 13
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	\$12,455 53
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	\$12,600 83
Balance to new account,	\$629 61

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Balance from last year,	\$848 84
Appropriation,	5,000 00
Town of Winchester, coal,	20 00
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	\$5,868 84
Paid Fred W. Towne, salary, chief engineer,	\$50 00
Edward P. Carrigan, salary, assistant engineer,	35 00
Louis A. Nims, salary, assistant engineer,	35 00
Dennis J. Foley, salary, assistant engineer,	35 00
Joseph F. Emmons, salary, superintendent fire alarm,	200 00
Frank H. Whitcomb, weekly pay-rolls,	718 00
Keene Steam Fire Engine and Hose Co., pay-rolls,	491 66
Deluge Hose Co., pay-rolls,	385 00
Washington Hook and Ladder Co., pay-rolls,	400 00
Albert W. Green, salary, engineer,	30 00
Harry N. Aldrich, salary, engineer,	30 00
George B. Robertson, salary, engineer,	60 00

Paid Harry N. Aldrich, salary, assistant engineer,	\$12 50
Frank M. Davis, salary, assistant engineer,	12 50
Nelson A. Crosier, salary, assistant engineer,	25 00
David W. Mitchell, salary, fireman,	10 00
Sam Whitney, salary, fireman,	5 00
John H. Simpson, salary, fireman,	5 00
J. Whitney Buckminster, wood,	81 14
Fred W. Towne, painting ladders,	22 25
Fred W. Towne, paid express charges,	35
Keene Gas Light Co., gas,	467 84
New England Telephone and Telegraph Co., use of instruments and tolls,	48 87
George M. Stevens Co., fire alarm box, etc.,	165 24
Gurnsey Bros. & Co., crackers,	75
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight charges,	8 10
Henry S. Stevens, goods,	4 02
Milan F. Jones, special driver,	104 00
Pearson Bros., goods,	13 20
Forest J. Twitchell, wood,	122 46
Harry E. Thornton, care of boiler at night,	91 42
Hezro W. Hubbard, repairs,	30
Elmer M. Flint, goods,	1 30
Knowlton & Stone, goods,	24 42
Marcus V. Damon, sawing wood,	45 65
Eugene O. Rice, pay of a fireman,	5 00
Fred W. Towne, inspecting buildings,	24 60
American Electrical Works, wire and sulphate of copper,	54 98
G. H. Tilden & Co., goods,	50
John A. Denison, paid for postal cards,	2 00

Paid Herman C. Rice, work,	\$1 00
John Carpenter, repairs,	8 20
Humphrey Machine Co., goods,	66 59
Sentinel Printing Co., printing,	8 75
George A. Nins & Co., teams,	12 50
Aldrich & Dutton, goods,	2 40
New England Telephone Co., install- ing box No. 26,	15 00
Peter G. Marrion, lunches,	26 81
Edw. P. Carrigan, inspecting buildings,	6 40
Reuben Ray, repairs,	9 60
Impervious Package Co., wood,	405 28
George B. Robertson, work,	117 87
Peter Langdon, services at Morse fire,	2 60
F. C. Tilton & Co., goods,	12 00
Charles O. Briggs, services at Morse fire,	1 00
The Davis & Wright Co., goods,	13 90
O. J. Howard & Co., rack,	2 00
Leon M. Willard, work, etc.,	92 00
Robert Brooks, painting,	5 70
Charles E. Berry, repairing hames,	7 15
Frank H. Whitcomb, express charges,	1 20
Goodnow & Aldrich Co., goods,	1 25
Henry Giffin, wood, etc.,	489 09
Nims, Whitney & Co., lumber, etc.,	6 15
J. G. Raymond, services, Lane fire,	1 00
Electric Gas Lighting Co., vitriol,	101 78
Bullard & Shedd Co., goods,	31 10
Nelson A. Crosier, labor,	4 90
Andrew J. Morse & Sons, goods,	3 27
Robert C. Jones, painting, etc.,	70 00
Ellis C. Holbrook, pay of a fireman,	15 00
Cornelius Callahan Co., spanners,	12 70
Wyman Lawrence, wagon,	5 00
George M. Rossman, goods, etc.,	14 11
Spencer Hardware Co., goods,	16 04

Paid Wilkinson & Co., goods,	\$0 75
J. Fred Whitcomb, clothing and repairs,	48 05
Frank H. Whitcomb, pay-rolls, still alarms, (special)	7 50
Harry C. Dean, painting fire alarm boxes,	10 32
Joseph H. Whittaker, Cheshire House fire,	1 00
Joel H. Tenney, Morse fire,	1 20
Henry L. Barrett, services,	1 60
Martin V. B. Clark, goods,	30
E. C. Messer, team,	5 00
Geo. N. Whitney, team,	5 00
C. S. Knowles, vitriol, zincs,	51 44
E. M. Flint, goods,	2 60
W. H. Spalter, goods,	1 30
D. W. Mitchell, city hall fire,	1 00
F. H. Baldwin, goods,	11 00
Frank H. Whitcomb, pay-roll, still alarms, September and October,	2 50
Wilkinson & Co., goods,	25
Lucy Hopkins, cleaning fire station,	10 00
B. G. Symonds, Thayer & Collins fire,	1 40
Henry L. Barrett, Thayer & Collins fire,	1 40
Fred P. Amadon, Thayer & Collins fire,	1 40
J. A. Denison, postal cards,	2 00
F. C. Gluck Co., plating breastplates,	2 00
Highway Department, care of horses,	260 00
Highway Department, answering alarms,	241 50
Highway Department, care of hy- drants,	10 00
Keene Water Department, labor and materials,	82 00
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	\$6,179 90

Account overdrawn,

\$311 06

 POLICE.

Appropriation,	\$500 00
Appropriation,	3,500 00
Police service and badge sold,	41 20
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	\$4,041 20
Paid account overdrawn,	\$1 51
George Cole, salary, city marshal,	\$72 60
Lester K. Stiles, salary, city marshal,	657 40
George Cole, postage, etc.,	9 15
Edward Neddo, police duty,	56 00
Augustus Bolio, police duty,	74 00
Charles Wright, police duty,	2 20
Charles S. Wright, police duty,	68 20
Lester K. Stiles, police duty,	135 00
Frank X. Harmon, police duty,	109 00
Andrew J. Sweeney, police duty,	151 00
Reuben Ray, police duty,	165 80
Fred A. Lewis, police duty.	274 30
Amasa Plastridge, police duty,	9 40
John E. Wyman, burying dogs and police duty,	20 40
Elmer A. Nims, police duty,	10 00
Dennis J. Foley, police duty,	22 20
Loren W. Adams, police duty,	6 20
Wyman Lawrence, police duty,	46 90
William H. Philbrick, police duty,	567 60
George Cole, police duty,	586 80
Robert E. Tolman, police duty,	242 65
James E. Wood, police duty,	42 60
Garrett J. Landers, police duty,	9 00
William H. Reyoun, police duty,	3 40
George W. McDaniels, police duty,	6 60
George H. Staples, police duty,	9 00

Paid Fred A. Bowen, police duty,	\$11 20
William J. Wheelock, police duty,	20 40
Frank H. Whitcomb, pay-roll, Nashua policemen,	35 00
Frank E. Joy, police duty,	3 60
Elmer L. Willard, police duty,	5 00
David Reid, police duty,	5 40
Edward L. Loveland, police duty,	2 00
George L. Geen, police duty,	5 00
Keene Gas Light Company, gas,	102 88
New England Telephone & Telegraph Co., instruments and tolls,	45 43
Hiram T. Houghton, hack hire,	68 00
Knowlton & Stone, goods,	5 60
Herman C. Rice, work,	50
Harry A. Pierce, teams,	12 50
Sentinel Printing Co., printing,	3 38
Geo. A. Nims & Co., teams,	9 50
Aldrich & Dutton, goods,	10
The Davis & Wright Co., goods,	60
Carey & Faulkner, goods,	3 85
A. J. LaRock, hack hire,	27 50
Ervin J. Davis, meals, etc.,	59 75
Mitchell Manufacturing Co., badges,	25 20
Oak Hall Clothing Co., clubs, etc.,	6 20
Frank H. Whitcomb, express charges,	25
Cheshire Laundry, work,	1 15
John H. Pender, hack hire,	3 25
Cheshire House, meals, Nashua police- men,	10 00
William R. Wiggett, meals,	3 25
Carl W. Eaton, services,	2 40
Henry Patterson, services,	3 00
Michael Crowley, services,	2 00
Harvey E. Humphrey, police duty,	5 00
Fred Blanchard, police duty,	2 00
E. S. King, police duty,	5 00

Paid Henry C. Allen, police duty,	\$3 00
Levi M. Fay, police duty,	4 00
J. E. Groat, police duty,	5 00
Leon V. Aldrich, police duty,	7 80
Walter Harris, police duty,	8 60
Charles W. Scripture, police duty,	14 00
John Scripture, police duty,	4 00
Herbert W. Keyes, police duty,	1 40
Charles H. Mason, police duty,	8 20
Walter C. Fassett, police duty,	4 00
Burtis L. Parkman, police duty,	2 00
Fred I. Wetmore, police duty,	3 00
Cheshire Laundry, work,	1 05
R. H. Beauregard, watching,	2 20
Harry M. Wilder, teams,	10 50
Henry W. Nims, police duty,	5 00
Wilton H. Spalter, goods,	65
Walter L. Harris, police duty,	8 00
A. A. Bartholomew, police duty,	2 00
Fred H. Locke, police duty,	5 00
Charles A. Chapin, police duty,	13 80
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	\$3,966 49
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	\$3,968 00
Balance to new account,	\$73 20

WATER WORKS MAINTENANCE.

Bills paid,	\$8,909 61
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By stock and labor on extensions,	\$2,853 90
Stock and labor on meters,	533 74
Stock and labor on drains,	100 00
Stock and labor on plumbing and inspecting,	100 00

By stock and labor, Echo lake,	\$213 85
Cash collected by superintendent,	1,781 99
Stock on hand,	927 87
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	\$6,511 35
Cost of maintenance,	<hr/>
	\$2,398 26

SEWERS.

Balance to new account, from last year,	\$888 87
Appropriation,	1,000 00
Cash collected by superintendent,	618 65
Transferred from new sewers,	705 32
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	\$3,212 84
Bills paid,	<hr/>
	\$1,934 35
Balance to new account,	<hr/>
	\$1,278 49

DRAINS.

Appropriation,	\$1,000 00
Labor and stock on new drains,	678 07
Cash collected by superintendent,	266 40
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	\$1,944 47
Account overdrawn,	\$37 26
Bills paid,	1,218 90
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	\$1,256 16
Transferred from water department,	100 00
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	\$1,356 16
Balance to new account,	<hr/>
	\$588 31

NEW SEWERS.

Appropriation, Dec., 1902,	\$225 00	
Bills paid,	157 82	
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Balance to new account,		\$67 18

PAYMENT ON FLOATING DEBT.

Withdrawn, from water loan sinking fund,		
Keene Guaranty Savings Bank,	\$384 53	
Keene Five Cents Savings Bank,	810 13	
Cheshire Provident Institution,	1,330 50	
Appropriation, payment land loan,	3,825 00	
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		\$6,350 16
Paid on 3 per cent demand loan, issued to retire old water works bonds, due Dec. 1, 1901,	\$2,525 16	
John H. Kimball, land loan,	3,825 00	
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		\$6,350 16

INTEREST ON FLOATING DEBT.

Balance from last year,	\$248 27	
Appropriation,	477 38	
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		\$725 65
Paid Albert W. Sheldon, interest,	\$72 25	
John H. Kimball, interest,	379 62	
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		\$451 87
Balance to new account,		\$273 78

ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Balance from last year,	\$1,513 18
Appropriation,	<u>8,500 00</u>
	\$10,013 18
Paid Keene Gas Light Co., electric street lights,	<u>\$8,468 78</u>
Balance to new account,	\$1,544 40

SCHOOLS.

UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Balance due district on year 1902,	\$11,999 72
Appropriation as per joint resolution, 1903,	<u>16,761 67</u>
Amount as per district tax, 1903,	<u>10,844 00</u>
	\$39,605 39
Paid William C. Hall, treasurer, balance, 1902,	<u>\$11,999 72</u>
William C. Hall, treasurer,	<u>16,605 67</u>
	\$28,605 39
Balance due Union district,	\$11,000 00

CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Balance due district on year 1902,	\$2,647 29
Appropriation as per joint resolution, 1903,	<u>2,459 62</u>
	\$5,106 91
Paid Calvin W. Farwell, treasurer, bal- ance, 1902,	\$2,647 29

Balance due the district,	\$2,459 62
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	\$5,106 91

INTEREST ON BONDS.

Balance from last year,	\$8,507 50
Appropriation,	7,770 00
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	\$16,277 50
Paid National Bank of the Republic,	\$5,095 00
Arthur L. Wright, treasurer,	2,675 00
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	\$7,770 00
Balance to new account,	\$8,507 50

PAYMENT OF RAILROAD GRATUITY BONDS.

Appropriation,	\$15,000 00
Paid A. L. Wright,	15,000 00

STATE TAX.

Amount of State tax assessed, 1902,	\$12,427 00
Paid Arthur L. Wright, treasurer, for	
State tax,	12,427 00
Amount of State tax assessed, 1903,	12,427 00
Paid Arthur L. Wright, treasurer, for	
State tax,	12,427 00

COUNTY TAX.

Balance from last year, due County of	
Cheshire,	\$3,000 00

County tax, assessed, 1903,	\$14,111 23	
	<u> </u>	\$17,111 23
Paid treasurer of Cheshire County, balance, 1902,	\$3,000 00	
Paid Treasurer of Cheshire County, 1903, tax,	11,111 23	
	<u> </u>	\$14,111 23
Balance due Cheshire County,		\$3,000 00

PURCHASE OF FRENCH AND COTA LAND.

Appropriation,	\$1,606 98	
Paid Samuel Wadsworth, French land,	\$200 00	
Norris G. Gurnsey, Cota land,	1,405 36	
Charles C. Buffum, register, recording deeds,	1 62	
	<u> </u>	\$1,606 98

CONCRETE SIDEWALKS.

Balance from last year,	\$157 75	
Appropriation, Dec. 1902,	81 59	
Appropriation, 1903,	800 00	
Assessments paid,	51 15	
	<u> </u>	\$1,090 49
Paid Michael J. Harty, repairs of sidewalks, etc.,	\$1,065 12	
Highway department, grading,	12 00	
Samuel Wadsworth, services,	15 75	
	<u> </u>	\$1,092 87
Account overdrawn,		\$2 38

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

PURCHASE OF BOOKS.

Balance from last year,	\$231 90
Appropriation,	500 00
Appropriation, interest on Thayer and Chapin fund,	175 00
Fines collected, Miss Russell,	28 00
Fines collected, Miss Read,	49 00
Interest, Ingersoll donation,	60 53
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	\$1,044 43
Paid William B. Clarke Co., books,	\$106 79
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight on books,	1 35
William H. Britton, cartage on books,	2 10
G. H. Tilden & Co., books,	33 05
Out West Co., books,	90
A. B. Skinner Co., books,	81 02
F. J. Barnard & Co., books,	30 10
Essex Publishing Co., books,	7 00
J. Q. Adams & Co., dictionary,	13 00
Wilton H. Spalter, books,	1 75
Mason Insurance Co., book,	1 50
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	\$278 56
Balance to new account,	\$765 87

PUBLIC LIBRARY EXPENSE.

Balance from last year,	\$577 85
Appropriation,	1,800 00
Received from town of Fitzwilliam, book cases,	9 00
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	\$2,386 85

Paid Florence G. Russell, salary, librarian,	\$166	65
Carrie E. Read, salary, librarian,	297	90
Florence G. Russell, services,	62	27
Martha E. Abbott, services,	51	99
Maud H. Sherman, services,	15	15
Ira D. Gates, services, janitor, etc.,	368	40
Keene Gas Light Co., gas and electric lighting,	317	91
J. Whitney Buckminster, wood,	12	18
Library Bureau, call slips,	11	00
Knowlton & Stone, goods,	27	64
W. P. Chamberlain & Co., goods,	1	60
Marcus V. Damon, sawing wood,	8	70
Cassius M. White, repairs, etc.,	92	33
Sentinel Printing Co., printing,	10	00
Impervious Package Co., wood,	50	19
Geo. E. Holbrook & Co., grass seed,	3	75
The Davis & Wright Co., repairs, etc.,	1	90
Forest J. Twitchell, wood,	37	50
Kirk & Sewall, stove poker, etc.,	3	29
Pearson Brothers, repairs, etc.,	21	66
Keene Water Works, wood,	45	00
Spencer Hardware Company, coal, etc.,	113	54
Henry Giffin, wood, etc.,	413	81
Ellis Brothers, keeping plants,	2	50
Bullard & Shedd Co., goods,	7	90
B. Magnuson, painting, etc.,	33	52
Office, Bank & Library Co., binders,	9	80
J. D. Bartley, book rests,	6	00
Mason Insurance Agency, insurance,	22	50
David Farquhar, repairing books,	29	65
Geo. M. Rossman, goods, etc.,	5	50
Wilton H. Spalter, goods,	6	83
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	\$2,258	56
Balance to new account,	\$128	29

MACADAM.

Appropriation, December, 1902,	\$210 00	
Appropriation,	2,000 00	
Additional appropriation,	161 59	
Keene Electric Railway, work,	7 00	
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		\$2,378 59
Paid account overdrawn,		\$17 17
Hezro W. Hubbard, repairs, etc.,	\$263 88	
A. B. Black, agent, check plates, jaws, etc.,	77 50	
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight,	1 60	
Frank H. Whitcomb, weekly pay- rolls,	1,828 54	
Knowlton & Stone, goods,	16 31	
Beaver Mills, goods,	81 05	
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		\$2,268 88
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		\$2,286 05
Balance to new account,		\$92 54

SCHOOL BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Balance from last year,	\$45 02	
Appropriation,	3,000 00	
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		\$3,045 02
Paid Calvin W. Farwell, treasurer, city district,	\$109 32	
Wilton H. Spalter, books and sup- plies,	2,472 39	
G. H. Tilden & Co., books and sup- plies,	461 23	
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		\$3,042 94
Balance to new account,		\$2 08

COUNTY AID TO DEPENDENT SOLDIERS OR THEIR FAMILIES.

Paid Mary J. Barlow, support of self,	\$60 00	
Thomas N. Woodward, support of self,	96 00	
Mrs. John L. Britton, support of self,	72 00	
P. H. McCushing, groceries,	84 00	
F. E. Whitehouse, rent, A. A. Blanchard,	24 00	
Lewis Ellis, rent, Edward Baker,	78 00	
John P. Rust, wood,	2 00	
Emerson Davis, sawing wood,	1 50	
Henry Giffin, wood,	68	
A. T. Batchelder, rent, Mary Pelkey,	30 00	
Charles Sebastian, support of self,	83 00	
A. T. Batchelder's estate, rent, Mary Pelkey,	30 00	
Mrs. D. C. Parker, support of self,	12 00	
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		\$573 18

PARKS.

Balance from last year,	\$2 40	
Appropriation,	200 00	
Additional appropriation,	100 00	
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		\$302 40
Paid George A. Wheelock, salary, commissioner,	\$25 00	
Sidney A. Ellis, work,	173 38	
W. H. Britton, work with team,	1 00	
Carlton Thompson, work,	15 00	
Julia F. Hyland, benches,	5 00	
Cassius M. White, buildings,	13 54	
Damon C. Twitchell, work,	15 00	
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		\$247 92
Balance to new account,		\$54 48

CEMETERIES.

Balance from last year, —	\$618 14
Appropriation, maintenance,	300 00
Appropriation, pipe lines, Eastern division,	200 00
Income on cemetery funds,	146 55
Appropriation for interest on funds deposited in treasury at 3½ per cent,	228 32
Collected, Walter E. Mason, superintendent, care of lots, etc.,	2,233 64
Dividend, Keene Five Cents Savings Bank,	130 97
Frank H. Whitcomb, cemetery lot,	50 00
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	\$3,907 62

Paid Frank H. Whitcomb, weekly pay-rolls,	\$1,273 36
Walter E. Mason, salary,	100 00
Walter E. Mason, services and use of horse,	596 58
Frank H. Whitcomb, recording deeds,	9 00
Norris G. Gurnsey, loam,	4 00
Hezro W. Hubbard, repairs, etc.,	3 00
Knowlton & Stone, goods,	40 60
Geo. A. Gordon, work, etc.,	4 82
National Burial Device Co., lowering device,	67 50
Ernest L. Cobb, work,	65
Humphrey Machine Co., grinding tools,	95
Sentinel Printing Co., printing,	5 50
Robert Josselyn, rubber sheeting,	4 41
Estate of James F. Morse, loam and work,	7 75
Henry W. Harvey, repairs,	1 30
Charles Millar & Son Co., pipe,	220 18
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight,	4 97
B. A. Knight, tin cups,	60

Paid Frank H. Whitcomb, water department pay-rolls,	\$145 90
Charles G. Crain, loam,	8 00
Luke E. Joslin, loam,	82 63
Harry C. Dean, painting,	9 91
George B. Robertson, repairs,	15 15
Eames & Towne, seed, etc.,	16 09
John Carpenter, repairs,	65
E. W. French & Co., goods,	3 00
James A. Garvin, work,	8 40
Beaver Mills, lumber,	1 60
United Construction Co., Woodland bridge,	120 00
Ellis Brothers, plants, etc.,	27 00
Sam'l Wadsworth, services,	37 50
Keene Water Department, labor and materials,	130 33
Geo. H. Eames, goods,	3 25
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	\$2,954 58
Balance to new account,	\$953 04

STREET SPRINKLING.

Amount of assessment collected,	\$1,300 00
Paid The Davis & Wright Co., repairs,	\$0 70
Robert C. Jones, repairing carts, etc.,	56 00
Frank H. Whitcomb, Sunday street sprinkling, pay-rolls,	16 40
Frank H. Whitcomb, express charges on goods,	80
J. L. & H. K. Potter, goods,	61 92
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight,	21 06
George B. Robertson, repairs,	3 00
J. L. & H. K. Potter, sprinkling cart,	329 60
James S. Taft, mileage, etc.,	1 84

Paid Cornelius Callahan Co., pipes and couplings,	\$59 52
Hezro W. Hubbard, repairs,	5 10
Frank H. Baldwin, goods,	3 95
Highway Department, work, etc.,	960 00
Sam'l Wadsworth, making assessment, etc.,	12 50
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	\$1,532 39
Account overdrawn,	\$232 39

ELLIOT CITY HOSPITAL.

Balance from last year,	\$500 00
Appropriation,	500 00
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	\$1,000 00
Paid W. R. Porter, treasurer,	\$1,000 00

ASSISTANCE TO PERSONS IN QUARANTINE AND INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Balance from last year,	\$95 76
Additional appropriation,	50 00
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	\$145 76
Paid George S. Griswold, milk,	\$3 45
Clifford B. Albright, disinfecting,	7 30
Darling & Co., printing,	1 50
Cheshire County, wood,	47 50
Samuel O. Gates, team,	4 00
Bullard & Shedd Co., goods,	25 46
The Davis & Wright Co., goods, etc.,	1 90
Carpenter & Greene, provisions,	4 00
Kirk & Sewall, oil, etc.,	1 74

Paid F. E. Safford, milk,	\$1 02	
Henry Giffin, wood,	8 50	
Gardner C. Hill, rent,	5 75	
Eli Chabott, provisions,	11 29	
Stephen K. Stone, milk,	3 39	
George E. Holbrook, goods,	5 01	
Kenneth E. Mosher, teams,	4 50	
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		\$136 31
Balance to new account,		\$9 45

SHEEP KILLED BY DOGS.

Balance from license fees collected, 1902,		\$934 04
Paid Thomas E. Carpenter, appraising sheep,	\$1 00	
John E. Wyman, appraising sheep,	1 00	
Henry D. Dickinson, sheep killed,	5 00	
George K. Wright, sheep killed,	31 25	
Henry W. Nims, sheep killed,	4 00	
Mrs. R. C. Woodward, hens killed,	2 00	
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		\$44 25
Balance paid to school districts for sup- port of schools,		889 79
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		\$934 04
Dog license fees collected, 1903,	\$1,012 66	
Amount in treasury,	1,012 66	

DAM AND PIPE LINE.

Balance from last year,	\$0 40	
Appropriation,	161 12	
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		\$161 52

Paid Charles C. Buffum, recording deed,	\$1 00	
Fred G. Waldo, repairing tools,	13 16	
H. W. Hubbard, repairs,	13 01	
Frank H. Whitcomb, pay-rolls,	25 72	
Francis E. Keyes & Co., dynamite, etc.,	4 58	
Henry W. Lane, record book,	45	
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight,	3 01	
Sentinel Printing Co., printing,	6 50	
H. A. Eastman & Co., stone and team work,	12 30	
Reuben Ray, repairs, etc.,	7 49	
A. B. Skinner Co., goods,	5 98	
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		\$93 20
Balance to new account,		\$68 32

COOLIDGE ANNUITY.

Balance from last year,	\$400 00	
Appropriation,	800 00	
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		\$1,200 00
Paid Emily B. Coolidge, annuity,	\$800 00	
Balance to new account,	400 00	
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		\$1,200 00

FIREMEN'S RELIEF FUND.

Balance of interest, 1901,	\$22 90
Deposited in Keene Savings Bank,	\$22 90

WATER WORKS CONTINGENT FUND.

Authorized by vote of city councils, passed September 5, 1901.

Account overdrawn,	\$1,273 31
Paid Andrew Henderson, drawing wood,	\$49 50
H. A. Eastman, drawing wood,	55 92
William B. Mark, drawing wood,	8 42
Edward H. Fletcher, drawing wood,	168 00
John Lynch, drawing wood,	8 62
George W. Eastman, drawing wood,	12 25
Charles L. Smith, work with team,	3 50
George G. Page, drawing wood,	122 50
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	\$428 71
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	\$1,702 02
Deposited by superintendent of water works,	\$823 92
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Account overdrawn,	\$878 10

DIVIDENDS RECEIVED AND REINVESTED.

Keene Five Cents Savings Bank, Minister Fund,	\$210 87
Deposited in Keene Savings Bank,	\$210 87
Cheshire Provident Institution, Ingersoll Ladies' Park Fund,	\$51 00
Deposited in Cheshire County Savings Bank,	\$51 00
Cheshire Provident Institution, Ingersoll Public Library Fund,	\$51 00
Deposited in Cheshire County Savings Bank,	\$51 00

INTEREST ON CERTAIN FUNDS.

Interest on Firemen's Relief Fund,	\$10 78
Deposited in Keene Savings Bank,	\$10 78

Interest on Ladies' Park Fund,	\$59 00
Paid executive committee Ladies' Wild- wood Park Association,	\$59 00

PURCHASE OF HORSE.

Appropriation,	\$200 00
Paid A. L. Wright, treasurer, for horse,	\$200 00

SALARY OF SCHOOL BOARD AND BOARD OF
EDUCATION.

Appropriation,	\$240 00
Paid Edward A. Kingsbury,	\$20 00
Calvin W. Farwell,	20 00
Charles P. Pitcher,	20 00
Bertram Ellis,	20 00
Charles C. Buffum,	20 00
Henry W. Lane,	20 00
Silas M. Dinsmoor,	20 00
Gardner C. Hill,	20 00
Frank H. Whitcomb,	20 00
William C. Hall;	20 00
Wilton H. Spalter,	20 00
Adolf W. Pressler,	20 00
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	\$240 00

PAINTING HOOK AND LADDER TRUCK.

Appropriation,	\$100 00
Paid Robert Brooks, painting, etc.,	\$100 00

FLAG FOR CITY HALL.

Appropriation,	\$16 00
Paid A. B. Skinner Co., flag,	\$15 75
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Balance to new account,	25

DIVISION OF INTEREST—MINISTER FUND.

Appropriation,	\$83 63
Paid Edward P. Drew,	\$13 94
Charles B. Elder,	13 94
Denis A. Ryan,	13 94
Alfred H. Wheeler,	13 94
Jesse M. Durrell,	13 94
Joseph Walther,	13 93
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	\$83 63

PURCHASE OF FIRE HOSE.

Appropriation,	\$350 00
Paid Eureka Fire Hose Co., fire hose,	\$345 00
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Balance to new account,	\$5 00

WATER EXTENSION—EASTERN AVENUE.

Appropriation,	\$3,200 00
Additional appropriation,	35 80
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	\$3,235 80
Paid Boston & Maine Railroad Co.,	
freight,	\$244 29
Charles Millar & Son Co., pipe,	2,190 69

Paid Chadwick-Boston Lead Co., lead,	\$253	55
Frank H. Whitcomb, weekly pay- rolls,		526 32
F. E. Keyes & Co., dynamite, etc.,	2	40
Reuben Ray, repairs, etc.,	18	55
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		\$3,235 80

WATER EXTENSION—NORTH LINCOLN STREET.

Appropriation,		\$458 22
Paid Charles Millar & Son Co., pipe,	\$309	57
Boston-Chadwick Lead Co., lead,	50	00
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight,	26	36
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		\$385 93
Balance to new account,		\$72 29

MEMORIAL EXERCISES.

Appropriation,		\$175 00
Paid John Sedgwick Post No. 4, G. A. R.,		\$175 00

BOUNTY ON HEDGEHOGS.

Paid Lee Naramore, bounty,	\$0	50
Jennie Herrick, bounty,		25
Stuart Pond, bounty,		25
Robert Chase, bounty,	1	00
Benj. F. Wheeler, bounty,	1	50
Roy E. Forbes, bounty,	1	25
Oscar Johnson, bounty,		25
Hubbard W. Whitcomb, bounty,		50
Daniel E. Hathorn, bounty,	1	00
Bernard C. Carey, bounty,		50

Paid Guy L. Fellows, bounty,	\$0 25	
Herbert L. Fisher, bounty,	1 50	
Earl G. B. Hill, bounty,	1 00	
Arthur E. Ellis, bounty,	25	
Harry A. Nims, bounty,	75	
Ernest Russell, bounty,	25	
Henry E. Fisher, bounty,	75	
Charles P. Russell, bounty,	25	
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BALLOT INSPECTORS.

Appropriation,		\$40 00
Paid Herbert A. Davis,	\$2 00	
Theodore H. Bolio,	2 00	
James E. Heffron,	2 00	
James F. Kelley,	2 00	
Liberty W. Foskett,	2 00	
George D. Holland,	2 00	
Obed M. Holton,	2 00	
William J. O'Connell,	2 00	
Wilton H. Spalter,	2 00	
William C. Hall,	2 00	
Virgil A. Wright,	2 00	
William T. Winn,	2 00	
Jedediah C. Estabrook,	2 00	
Daniel E. Hathorn,	2 00	
Benjamin F. Allen,	2 00	
Edward J. Carr,	2 00	
Ellery E. Rugg,	2 00	
Cornelius E. Sullivan,	2 00	
Charles A. Madden,	2 00	
James M. Coffey,	2 00	
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LAND DAMAGE.

Appropriation,		\$10 00
Paid Alfred T. Batchelder,	\$1 00	
Harriet F. Curtis,	1 00	
Jonathan Hall,	1 00	
Carlton A. Wheeler,	1 00	
Ann Lahiff,	1 00	
Warren E. Peasley,	1 00	
J. Whitney Buckminster,	1 00	
Stella Knapp,	1 00	
Charles Giffin,	1 00	
William R. Wiggett,	1 00	
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BRUSH FIRES.

Appropriation,		\$74 25
Paid Frank H. Whitcomb, pay-roll of firemen,	\$56 25	
George A. Nims & Co., teams,	18 00	
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POLICE BENEVOLENT FUND.

Local mortgage, balance paid,	\$200 00	
Interest on local mortgage,	13 92	
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Deposited, account of fund, Keene Sav- ings Bank,		\$213 92

FREE PUBLIC BAND CONCERTS.

Appropriation,	\$400 00
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Paid James S. Taft, chairman 150th anniversary committee,	\$400 00
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IMPROVEMENTS TO CITY HALL STAGE AND INTERIOR.

Appropriation,	\$2,000 00
Additional appropriation,	<u>155 01</u>
	\$2,155 01
Paid Lee Lash Co., scenery and repairs,	\$816 00
William M. Clapp, painting, etc.,	490 00
Wadsworth, Howland & Co., paint,	97
James S. Taft, mileage, etc.,	8 38
J. Marsching & Co., bronze,	15 63
Robert Brooks, painting,	14 40
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight,	30
Express on scenery,	50 55
J. Frank Emmons, express, hodge,	15 30
Goodnow & Aldrich Co., goods, etc.,	8 40
A. B. Skinner Co., goods,	85 13
Cassius M. White, repairs, etc.,	<u>649 95</u>
	\$2,155 01

INSPECTION KEENE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation,	\$60 00
Paid Keene Fire Department,	\$60 00

WATER WORKS OFFICE AND COUNCIL ROOMS.

Received from Insurance Companies, fire loss,	\$200 00
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Paid William M. Clapp, painting, etc.,	\$124 68	
A. B. Skinner Co., shades, oil cloth, etc.,	5 29	
Cassius M. White, labor, etc.,	29 11	
Water and Sewer Department, labor, plumbing materials, labor clean- ing, bronzing, etc.,	40 92	
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		\$200 00

SCREENED BRANCH GRAVEL MACADAM.

Appropriation,	\$200 00	
Additional appropriation,	14 00	
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		\$214 00
Paid Frank H. Whitcomb, highway pay-roll,	\$214 00	

ASH SWAMP DITCH.

Amount paid by abutters,	\$14 85	
Amount due from abutters,	13 05	
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		\$27 90
Paid Frank H. Whitcomb, pay-roll, labor, cleaning out ditch,	\$27 90	

NUMBERING BUILDINGS.

Balance from last year,	\$1 29	
Appropriation,	50 00	
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		\$51 29
Paid Enterprize Plating Co.,	\$8 40	
Frank H. Whitcomb, express paid,	25	

Paid Samuel Wadsworth, numbering buildings, plans, etc.,	\$27 00	
		\$35 65
Balance to new account,		\$15 64

PLEASANT STREET DRAIN.

Appropriation,		\$850 00
Paid Frank H. Whitcomb, weekly pay- rolls,	\$236 00	
Knowlton & Stone, supplies,	516 78	
		\$752 78
Balance to new account,		\$97 22

HISTORY OF KEENE.

Appropriation,		\$406 67
Paid Samuel Wadsworth, services,		5 00
Balance to new account,		\$401 67

PLANS OF GREENLAWN AND WASHINGTON
CEMETERIES.

Appropriation,		\$150 00
Paid Samuel Wadsworth,		99 25
Balance to new account,		\$50 75

RECAPITULATION.

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RECEIPTS.

Balance in treasury, Dec. 1, 1902,	\$28,292 93
A. M. Nims, collector, taxes, 1898,	338 47
A. M. Nims, collector, taxes, 1899,	350 19
A. M. Nims, collector, taxes, 1900,	549 75
A. M. Nims, collector, taxes, 1901,	605 22
A. M. Nims, collector, taxes, 1902,	15,943 88
A. M. Nims, collector, taxes, 1903,	86,812 49
A. M. Nims, collector, street sprinkling assessment,	1,300 00
A. M. Nims, collector, water assessments,	23,300 00
Frank H. Whitcomb, city clerk, rents, etc.,	5,236 86
Paul F. Babbidge, superintendent, collections,	3,652 08
Walter E. Mason, superintendent, collections,	2,233 64
Joseph F. Emmons, city messenger, collections,	1,555 50
Lewis W. Holmes, police court fines,	3,203 00
State Board License Commissioners,	4,653 03
William S. Tuttle, fines and costs,	69 57
Elmer A. Nims, superintendent, collections,	651 34
Edward H. Fletcher, overseer of poor, collections,	3,893 60
Withdrawn from water loan sinking fund, Keene Guaranty Savings Bank,	384 53

Withdrawn from water loan sinking fund, Keene Five Cents Savings Bank,	\$810 13
Withdrawn from water loan sinking fund, Cheshire Provident Institution,	1,330 50
Interest on Minister fund,	83 63
Interest on Simmons & Eastburn fund, (previously disbursed),	58 45
Interest on cemetery funds,	146 55
Faulkner legacy, for purchase of land,	1,606 98
Russell fund,	15 30
Gates fund,	5 10
Whitney fund,	5 10
Jones fund,	5 08
Towns fund,	5 10
Keyes fund,	5 08
Ingersoll fund,	25 50
Fletcher fund,	15 23
Bowker fund,	15 30
Packard fund,	15 00
Firemen's Relief fund, interest,	10 78
Police Benevolent fund,	200 00
Police Benevolent fund, interest,	13 92
Keene Five Cents Savings Bank, Minister fund,	210 87
Cheshire Provident Institution, Ingersoll funds:	
Ladies' Park fund,	51 00
Library fund,	51 00
Interest on Ladies' Park fund,	59 00
Interest, Ingersoll Library fund,	60 53
Lester K. Stiles, police service,	41 00
Keene Electric Railway, work, highway department,	7 00
Leonard Wellington, plumber's license fees,	2 50
James S. Taft, sale of a horse,	100 00

Railroad tax, 1902,	\$6,760 21
Savings bank tax,	3,319 35
Insurance tax,	641 25
Literary fund,	787 50
Railroad tax, 1903,	6,846 96
Savings bank tax,	2,616 40
Insurance tax,	678 75
Literary fund,	941 05
Cheshire Provident Institution, M.	
O'Donnell fund,	99 46
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	\$210,672 64

EXPENDITURES.

Orders outstanding Dec. 1, 1902,	\$167 02
Ordinary city charges,	10,250 13
City paupers,	2,041 96
County paupers,	3,506 51
Highway Department,	12,455 53
Fire Department,	6,179 90
Police Department,	3,966 49
Water Works maintenance,	8,909 61
Maintenance of drains,	1,218 90
Maintenance of sewers,	1,934 35
New sewers,	157 82
Payment on floating debt,	2,525 16
Interest on floating debt,	451 87
Electric street lights,	8,468 78
Union school district,	28,605 39
City school district,	2,647 29
Interest on bonds,	7,770 00
Payment of Railroad Gratuity bonds,	15,000 00
State tax,	24,854 00
County tax,	14,111 23
Purchase of French and Cota land,	1,606 98
Concrete sidewalks,	1,092 87

Public Library, book account,	\$278 56
Maintenance of Public Library,	2,258 56
Macadam,	2,268 88
School books and supplies,	3,042 94
Aid to dependent soldiers or their families,	573 18
Parks,	247 92
Cemeteries,	2,954 58
Street sprinkling,	1,532 39
Elliot City Hospital,	1,000 00
Assistance to persons in quarantine and incidental charges,	136 31
Sheep killed by dogs,	44 25
Dam and pipe line,	93 20
Coolidge annuity,	800 00
Firemen's relief fund,	22 90
Water works contingent fund,	428 71
Minister fund,	210 87
Ingersoll Ladies' Park fund,	51 00
Ingersoll Public Library fund,	51 00
Interest Firemen's Relief fund,	10 78
Interest Ladies' Park fund,	59 00
Purchase of horse,	200 00
Salary Board of Education and school board,	240 00
Painting Hook and Ladder truck,	100 00
Flag for city hall,	15 75
Interest Minister fund, disbursed,	83 63
Purchase of fire hose,	345 00
Water extension, Eastern avenue,	3,235 80
Water extension, North Lincoln street,	385 93
Memorial exercises,	175 00
Bounty on hedgehogs,	12 00
Ballot inspectors,	40 00
Land damage,	10 00
Brush fires,	74 25
Police Benevolent fund,	213 92

Free public band concerts,	\$400 00
Improvements to city hall stage and interior,	2,155 01
Inspection Keene fire department,	60 00
Water works office and council rooms,	200 00
Screened Branch gravel macadam,	214 00
Ash Swamp ditch,	27 90
Land loan, part of floating debt,	3,825 00
Numbering houses,	35 65
Pleasant street drain,	752 78
History of Keene,	5 00
Greenlawn and Washington cemeteries, plans and records,	99 25
Balance in treasury, Dec. 1, 1903,	23,911 19
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	\$210,803 88
Less outstanding orders, Dec. 1, 1903,	131 24
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	\$210,672 64

INDEBTEDNESS.

RAILROAD GRATUITY BONDS.

Due.	Rate of Interest.	Amount Due.
1904, July 1,	4 per cent,	\$10,000 00

SEWERAGE BONDS.

Due.	Rate of Interest.	Amount Due.
1905, July 1,	4 per cent,	\$15,000 00
1906, "	"	15,000 00
1907, "	"	15,000 00
1908, "	"	15,000 00
1909, "	"	10,000 00
		\$70,000 00

WATER BONDS, LOAN OF 1887.

Due.	Rate of Interest.	Amount Due.
1910, January 1,	3½ per cent,	\$7,000 00
1911, "	"	10,000 00
1912, "	"	10,000 00
1913, "	"	10,000 00
		\$37,000 00

WATER BONDS, LOAN OF 1891.

Due.	Rate of Interest.	Amount Due.
1913, October 1,	4 per cent,	\$5,000 00
1914, " "	" "	10,000 00
1915, " "	" "	10,000 00
1916, " "	" "	10,000 00
1917, " "	" "	10,000 00
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		\$45,000 00

WATER BONDS, LOAN OF 1902.

Due.	Rate of Interest.	Amount Due.
1909, July 1,	3½ per cent,	\$5,000 00
1910, " "	" "	5,000 00
1911, " "	" "	5,000 00
1912, " "	" "	5,000 00
1913, " "	" "	5,000 00
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		\$25,000 00
Total bonded city debt,		<hr/>
		\$187,000 00

FLOATING DEBT.

Demand loan at 3 per cent, issued to retire old water works bonds, bal- ance due Dec. 1, 1902,	\$3,283 43
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ENDORSEMENTS.

Dividends from water loan sinking fund:	
Cheshire Provident Institution,	\$1,330 50
Keene Guaranty Savings Bank,	384 53
Keene Five Cents Savings Bank,	810 13
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\$2,525 16	
Balance due Dec. 1, 1903,	<hr/>
	\$758 27

Demand note at $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent, issued by finance committee for refunding loan for construction of bridges,	\$7,000 00
Total floating city debt,	7,658 27
Total bonded city debt,	187,000 00
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Total city debt,	\$194,758 27

ASSETS, DECEMBER 1, 1903.

Due from collector of taxes, 1898,	\$476 05
Due from collector of taxes, 1899,	2,263 69
Due from collector of taxes, 1900,	2,050 40
Due from collector of taxes, 1901,	2,025 01
Due from collector of taxes, 1902,	4,196 89
Due from collector of taxes, 1903,	22,540 25
Water loan sinking fund, deposited in Cheshire Provident Institution,	6,652 54
Water loan sinking fund, deposited in Keene Five Cents Savings Bank,	4,050 69
Water loan sinking fund, deposited in Keene Guaranty Savings Bank,	2,691 73
Balance in hands of treasurer,	23,911 19
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	\$70,858 44

LIABILITIES.

Hibbard legacy,	\$1,000 00
Faulkner legacy,	2,106 98
Russell fund,	76 50
Gates fund,	25 50
Coolidge fund,	3,458 11
Whitney fund,	25 50
Nims fund,	63 77
Colony fund,	258 83
Ball fund,	127 53
Jones fund,	74 63
Towns fund,	25 50
Keyes fund,	74 63
Ingersoll fund,	127 50
Fletcher fund,	137 03
Bowker fund,	76 50
Packard fund,	135 00
Foster fund,	100 00
Searle fund,	100 00
Thayer and Chapin fund,	5,000 00
Bingham heirs fund,	100 00
John M. Blake fund,	100 00
Austin E. Howard fund,	100 00
Albert Godfrey fund,	100 00
Holbrook fund,	400 00
Gratia S. Reed fund,	100 00
Ralph J. Holt fund,	100 00
Edward Joslin fund,	500 00
Rebecca T. Wilder fund,	100 00
John Symonds fund,	500 00
L. S. Lord fund,	200 00
F. S. Wheeler fund,	100 00
Lora Stratton fund,	100 00

Henry Griffith fund,	\$100 00	
Semira Stearns Cole fund,	100 00	
Edward Cole Aldrich fund,	100 00	
Jennie E. Ball fund,	250 00	
Cheshire County, balance of tax, 1903,	3,000 00	
School districts, balance of appropriations, 1903,	13,459 62	
City orders outstanding, Dec. 1, 1903,	131 24	
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		\$32,634 37
Balance of assets over liabilities,		•38,224 07
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		\$70,858 44

TRUST FUNDS.

IN CARE OF CITY TREASURER.

All items marked with a * are deposited in city treasury at $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

HIBBARD LEGACY, \$1,000.*

Deposited with city treasurer. Income used in taking care of Salma Hale lot in cemetery, balance for schools.

CHAS. S. FAULKNER LEGACY, \$2,500.

Income used in improving and ornamenting Woodland cemetery.

Cheshire County Savings Bank,	\$393 02
City treasury,	2,106 98*
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	\$2,500 00

SIMMONS AND EASTBURN FUND, \$1,300.

Given by David Simmons and Susan Eastburn. Interest for the relief and comfort of aged and infirm poor of Keene.

Addition given by Julius N. Morse, \$1,000 in 1896.

Deposited in Keene Guaranty Savings

Bank,	\$471 06
Cheshire County Savings Bank,	1,000 00
Keene Savings Bank,	828 94
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	\$2,300 00

MINISTER FUND, \$4,155.

Derived from sale of wood on "minister lot." Interest divided annually among the clergymen of Keene.

Deposited in Keene Five Cents Savings

Bank,	\$1,054 33
Cheshire County Savings Bank,	889 80
Keene Savings Bank,	2,210 87
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	\$4,155 00

RUSSELL FUND, \$300.

Interest used in taking care of Lucinda Russell lot in cemetery, balance for improving and ornamenting Woodland cemetery.

Deposited in Cheshire Provident Institution,

	76 50
Deposited in Cheshire County Savings Bank,	153 00
Deposited with city treasurer,	76 50*
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	\$306 00

FIREMEN'S RELIEF FUND, \$654.54.

Interest to be used under direction of officers of fire

department for relief of firemen injured in discharge of duty.

Deposited in Keene Guaranty Savings	
Bank,	\$222 49
Keene Savings Bank,	432 05
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	\$654 54

GATES FUND, \$100.

Interest to be used in taking care of the "Rufus Gates lot," and balance in improving Woodland cemetery.

Deposited in Cheshire Provident Institution,	\$25 50
Deposited in Cheshire County Savings Bank,	51 00
Deposited with city treasurer,	25 50*
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	\$102 00

COOLIDGE FUND, \$5,320.17.

Principal to be used toward building or furnishing a public library building.

Deposited in Keene Guaranty Savings	
Bank,	\$1,862 06
In hands of the city,	3,458 11
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	\$5,320 17

WHITNEY FUND, \$100.

Interest to be used annually in improving lot No. 266 in Greenlawn cemetery.

Deposited in Cheshire Provident Institution,	\$25 50	
Deposited in Cheshire County Savings Bank,	51 00	
In hands of the city,	25 50*	
	<hr/>	\$102 00

NIMS FUND, \$100.

Deposited in Keene Guaranty Savings Bank. Interest to be used in taking care of the "Dauphin W. Nims lot," and balance in improving Greenlawn cemetery.

Deposited in the Keene Guaranty Savings Bank,	\$36 23	
In city treasury,	63 77*	
	<hr/>	\$100 00

L. J. COLONY LEGACY, \$1,000.

Interest to be used annually in taking care of the lots of Lewis J. Colony and Joshua D. Colony, in Woodland cemetery, and balance for the general improvement of said cemetery.

Deposited in Keene Guaranty Savings Bank,	\$362 35	
Keene Savings Bank,	378 82	
In city treasury,	258 83*	
	<hr/>	\$1,000 00

BALL FUND, \$200.

Deposited in Keene Guaranty Savings Bank. Interest to be used in taking care of the "Geo. W. Ball lot," in

Woodland cemetery, and the "John Grimes and Mary Grimes Stearns lot," in West Keene cemetery, and balance in improving Woodland and West Keene cemeteries.

Deposited in Keene Guaranty Savings

Bank,	\$76 47	
In city treasury,	127 53*	
	<hr/>	\$200 00

JONES FUND, \$100.

Deposited in Keene Five Cents Savings Bank. Interest to be used in taking care of the "Ashley Jones lot," in Woodland cemetery, and the balance for such repairs and improvements as the city councils may direct.

Deposited in Keene Five Cents Savings

Bank,	\$25 37	
In city treasury,	74 63	
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TOWNS FUND, \$100.

Interest to be used, so far as needed, for the care of the "John Towns lot," in Woodland cemetery, and balance for repairs and improvements of said cemetery.

Deposited in Cheshire Provident Institution,

Deposited in Cheshire County Savings

Bank,	51 00	
Deposited with city treasurer,	25 50*	
	<hr/>	\$102 00

KEYES FUND, \$100.

Deposited in Keene Five Cents Savings Bank. Interest

to be used, so much as is needed, for the care of the "Zebadiah Keyes lot," in Washington street cemetery, and the "Harvey A. Bill lot," in Woodland cemetery, and balance for repairs and improvements in said cemeteries.

Deposited in Keene Five Cents Savings

Bank,	\$25 37	
In city treasury,	74 63*	
	<hr/>	\$100 00

INGERSOLL LEGACIES:

PUBLIC LIBRARY FUND, \$1,000.

Interest to be used annually for the purchase of books for the public library, said books to be labeled, "From the Ingersoll Donation."

Deposited in Cheshire Provident Institution,

\$255 00

Deposited in Cheshire County Savings

Bank,

765 00

\$1,020 00

LADIES' PARK FUND, \$1,000.

Interest to be used annually for the care of the Ladies' park, under the direction of a committee of the Park Association, for a term of 25 years.

Deposited in Cheshire Provident Institution,

\$255 00

Deposited in Cheshire County Savings

Bank,

765 00

\$1,020 00

CEMETERY FUND.

Interest to be used annually in the care of the "Ingersoll burial lots," in the old cemetery on Washington street.

Deposited in Cheshire Provident Institution,	\$127 50	
Deposited in Cheshire County Savings Bank,	255 00	
Deposited with city treasurer,	127 50*	
	<hr/>	\$510 00

FLETCHER FUND, \$300.

Interest to be used, as far as needed, for the care and adorning of the "Fletcher lot," in Greenlawn cemetery, and balance for the improvement of said cemetery.

Deposited in Keene Five Cents Savings Bank,	\$76 12	
Keene Savings Bank,	86 85	
Deposited with city treasurer,	137 03*	
	<hr/>	\$300 00

BOWKER FUND, \$300.

Interest to be used in taking care of the "Bowker lot," in Woodland cemetery and the monument erected on the said lot.

Deposited in Cheshire Provident Institution,	\$76 50	
Deposited in Cheshire County Savings Bank,	153 00	
Deposited with city treasurer,	76 50	
	<hr/>	\$306 00

PACKARD FUND, \$300.

Interest to be used in care of the "Packard lot," in Woodland cemetery, and "Vose lot," in Washington street

cemetery, and purchase of flowers for the same, and the balance, if any, may be paid to the G. A. R. for the decoration of soldiers' graves, or expended as the city may direct.

Deposited in Keene Five Cents Savings	
Bank,	\$75 00
Deposited in Cheshire County Savings	
Bank,	90 00
In city treasury,	135 00*
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	\$300 00

FOSTER FUND, \$100.*

Deposited with city treasurer. Interest to be used in taking care of the lot in Woodland cemetery in which she and her husband are buried.

WOODBURY FUND, \$300.

Deposited in the Keene National Bank. Interest to be used in taking care of his cemetery lot in Greenlawn cemetery.

Keene Savings Bank,	\$300 00
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SEARLE FUND, \$100.*

Deposited with city treasurer. Interest to be used in taking care of his cemetery lot in Washington street cemetery.

THURSTON FUND, \$100.

Certificate of deposit in the Cheshire National Bank.
Interest to be used in taking care of his cemetery lot in
Greenlawn cemetery.

Keene Savings Bank, \$100 00

THAYER AND CHAPIN FUND, \$5,000.*

Deposited with city treasurer. Interest to be used for
the purchase of books for the Keene Public Library, by
the trustees.

BINGHAM HEIRS' FUND, \$100.*

Deposited with city treasurer. Interest to be used in
taking care of Warren and Charles W. Bingham lot in
Woodland cemetery.

JOHN M. BLAKE FUND, \$100.*

Deposited with city treasurer. Interest to be used in
taking care of lot in Greenlawn cemetery.

AUSTIN E. HOWARD FUND, \$100.*

Income to be used in taking care of the Austin E.
Howard lot in Woodland cemetery.

ALBERT GODFREY FUND, \$100.*

Income to be used in taking care of the Albert Godfrey lot in Woodland cemetery.

HOLBROOK FUND, \$400.*

Income to be used in taking care of the Samuel Robinson lot in Woodland cemetery, and the lot of George W. Holbrook in Greenlawn cemetery.

POLICE BENEVOLENT FUND, \$500.

Income to be used for the relief of the police of Keene, injured in discharge of duty.

Keene Savings Bank,

\$500 00

GRATIA S. REED FUND, \$100.*

Income to be used for care of lot in North cemetery.

RALPH J. HOLT FUND, \$100.*

Income to be used for care of lot in Woodland cemetery.

EDWARD JOSLIN FUND, \$500.*

Income to be used for care of lot in Greenlawn cemetery and surplus if any, in general care of said cemetery.

REBECCA T. WILDER FUND, \$100.*

Income to be used in care of family lot in West cemetery.

JOHN SYMONDS FUND, \$500.*

Income to be used for care of lot in Woodland cemetery.

L. S. LORD FUND, \$200.*

Income to be used for the care and repair of lot in Woodland cemetery.

F. S. WHEELER FUND, \$100.*

Income to be used for the care and repair of the Wheeler lot in Woodland cemetery.

LORA STRATTON FUND, \$100.*

Income to be used for the care of the Clark Dodge lot in Woodland cemetery.

HENRY GRIFFITH FUND, \$100.*

Income to be used for the care of lot in Woodland cemetery, where Henry Griffith is buried.

SEMIRA STEARNS COLE FUND, \$100.*

Income to be used for the care of lot No. 22, in section 8, Woodland cemetery.

EDWARD COLE ALDRICH FUND, \$100.*

Income to be used for the care of lot No. 34, in Green-lawn cemetery.

JENNIE E. BALL FUND, \$250.*

Income to be used for the care of lot in Woodland cemetery.

PROPERTY BELONGING TO THE CITY.

City water works,	\$225,000 00
Lands at Echo lake and Beech hill,	5,425 00
City hall building,	40,000 00
Thayer library building,	25,000 00
Fire department,	14,000 00
Land and buildings, Vernon street,	10,000 00
Perry place, Coolidge park,	15,500 00
City pasture,	2,000 00
Stone quarry and land,	100 00
Portable stone crusher,	2,000 00
Water works, stock and tools,	3,000 00
Highway tools, horses and steam road roller,	3,500 00
Liquors in possession of the city,	167 84
Sprinklers,	1,000 00
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	\$346,692 84

AREA OF KEENE, PUBLIC PARKS, CITY LANDS AND CEMETERIES.

Ward 1,	2,810 acres.
Ward 2,	5,275 "
Ward 3,	2,310 "
Ward 4,	8,780 "
Ward 5,	4,510 "
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Total area of Keene, 37 sq. miles,	23,685 acres.

PARKS AND CITY LANDS.

Wheelock Park, original gift, ward 4,	23.97 acres.
Wheelock Park, addition, ward 4,	15.35 "
Ladies' Wildwood Park, ward 4,	12.25 "
Robin Hood Forest, ward 2,	81. "
City Park, ward 2,	6.13 "
Reservoir Lot, ward 2,	10.50 "
Children's Wood, ward 2,	12. "
Coolidge Park, ward 2,	1.69 "
Minister Lot, ward 2,	55.50 "
Central Park, ward 3,	.40 "
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Total parks,	218.79 acres.
City Pasture, ward 1,	68.70 acres.
Sylvan Lake Lot, ward 3,	73.97 "
Stone Crusher Lot, ward 2,	14.37 "
Fairfield Land, estimated, ward 1,	18. "
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Total city lands,	175.04 acres.

CEMETERIES.

Woodland, East, ward 2,	26.10 acres.
Woodland, West, ward 2,	12.25 "
Greenlawn, ward 2,	8. "
Washington, ward 2,	1.68 "
North, ward 4, estimated,	.75 "
West Keene, ward 5,	2.63 "
West Hill, ward 4, estimated,	.25 "
Ash Swamp, ward 5, estimated,	.10 "
Catholic, East of Main street, ward 1,	6.29 "
Catholic, West of Main street, ward 5,	12.85 "
Total cemeteries,	<u>70.90 acres.</u>

LENGTH AND WIDTH.

Greatest length of Keene, east and west,	8.163 miles.
Greatest width of Keene, north and south,	6.562 "

AREA OF KEENE, N. H., BY WARDS, WITH AREA
OF PARKS AND CEMETERIES.

Ward.	Total Area.	Parks.	Cemeteries.	Acreage Remaining.
1,	2,810 acres		6 acres	2,804
2,	5,275 "	167. acres	48 "	5,060
3,	2,310 "	.40 "		2,309.6
4,	8,780 "	52. "	1 "	8,727
5,	4,510 "		16 "	4,494
	<u>23,685 acres</u>	<u>219.40 acres</u>	<u>71 acres</u>	<u>23,394.6</u>

	Population.	Population per acre.
Ward 1,	2,488 (1900)	.859
Ward 2,	1,896	.374
Ward 3,	1,926	.833
Ward 4,	1,384	.157
Ward 5,	1,471	.327
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Total,	9,165	.392

APPROXIMATE AREA OF LAND OF THE CITY OF
KEENE IN ROXBURY.

Land around Echo lake, including water,	820 acres.
Cota farm,	160 "
Buckminster lot,	60 "
Munsell lot,	30 "
Simpson lot,	1 "
French land,	11 "
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Total,	1,082 acres.
Area of Echo lake,	108 acres.
Area of Goose pond and lot,	74 "
Area of Goose pond and islands,	52½ "

ALTITUDES, KEENE AND ROXBURY. ABOVE SEA
LEVEL.

ON LINE OF WATER WORKS.

Echo lake,	1,321 feet.
Upper dam, Roaring brook,	991 "
Lower dam,	738 "
Beech hill, over pipe,	866 "
Sylvan lake,	640 "
Octagon reservoir,	640 "

Beech hill reservoir,	597 "
Railroad crossing, Main street,	481 "

HIGH LANDS IN ROXBURY.

Bassett hill,	1,639 feet.
Banks hill,	1,561 "
Parker hill,	1,630 "
Horse hill,	1,530 "
Bald hill,	1,581 "

HIGH LANDS AROUND KEENE.

Beech hill, at Horatian tower,	1,059 feet.
Beech hill, north part,	1,060 "
Floor of Horatian tower,	1,084 "
West hill, north peak,	1,168 "
West hill, south peak,	1,366 "
Stearns hill,	1,310 "
Hyland hill, in Westmoreland, near town line,	1,525 "
Gray's hill,	1,385 "
In north woods,	1,251 "
Surry mountain, near town line,	1,000 "
Surry summit, railroad,	830 "

1903.

Valuation of the city,	\$6,604,180 00
Tax assessed for the year,	110,731 56
Rate of taxation, \$1.45 per \$100.	
Additional in union school district, \$0.18 per \$100.	
State tax,	\$12,427 00
County tax,	14,111 23
School tax required by law,	17,544 00
City tax,	50,000 00
Union school district tax,	10,844 00
Increase in valuation,	66,564 00
Decrease in number of polls,	34
Number of scholars, from 5 to 16 years,	1,709
Union district,	1,537
City district,	172

POLLS, VALUATION AND TAXES ASSESSED FROM 1874 TO 1903
INCLUSIVE.

Year.	No. Polls.	Valuation.	Rate of taxation per \$100.	Additional in U. S. D. per \$100.	Additional in C. S. D. per \$100.	Taxes.
1874	1919	\$4,298,386 00	\$1.36	\$0.04		\$61,065 27
1875	1789	4,676,117 00	1.12	.28		67,354 78
1876	1813	5,737,350 00	1.00	.25		72,341 30
1877	1842	4,852,664 00	1.08	.30		75,961 25
1878	1815	5,366,918 00	1.10	.30		75,639 77
1879	1717	5,081,876 00	.83	.22		62,521 84
1880	1802	5,757,752 00	1.00	.02		60,758 18
1881	1842	5,671,628 00	1.09	.03		70,601 40
1882	1900	5,849,418 00	1.05	.04		67,430 85
1883	1908	5,936,182 00	1.15	.05		73,909 11
1884	1795	5,922,043 00	1.15	.03		72,281 96
1885	1869	5,849,292 00	1.10	.12		72,910 08
1886	1845	5,938,529 00	1.15	.13		77,764 66
1887	1961	5,950,822 00	1.15			70,894 98
1888	1999	6,089,996 00	1.20	.075	\$0.06	80,105 80
1889	2075	6,096,732 00	1.20	.10	.05	81,688 24
1890	2046	6,117,404 00	1.30	.16	.08	91,870 91
1891	2126	6,051,111 00	1.25	.095	.08	84,153 70
1892	2027	6,156,366 00	1.25	.125	.02	86,895 93
1893	2051	6,259,608 00	1.25	.14	.05	89,400 98
1894	2032	6,280,468 00	1.25	.085	.03	82,235 04
1895	2090	6,223,142 00	1.15	.15	.10	83,393 75
1896	2173	6,293,686 00	1.35	.175	.06	99,341 97
1897	2173	6,266,894 00	1.35	.145	.025	96,434 73
1898	2274	6,283,854 00	1.35	.145		96,699 49
1899	2276	6,285,466 00	1.35	.125	.05	95,775 89
1900	2297	6,365,182 00	1.40	.18		102,363 28
1901	2415	6,392,250 00	1.40	.17		103,314 97
1902	2505	6,537,616 00	1.45	.18	.01	109,777 23
1903	2471	6,604,180 00	1.45	.18		110,731 56

ESTIMATED EXPENSES FOR 1904.

To the City Councils of the City of Keene:

The joint standing committee on finance present the following estimates of the amount of money necessary to be raised the ensuing year, and respectfully recommend that \$52,000 of the amount be raised by taxation, and the remainder be paid from any balance in the treasury.

Ordinary city charges,	\$7,500 00
City paupers,	2,000 00
Highways and bridges,	10,000 00
Macadam,	2,000 00
Fire department,	5,500 00
Police department,	4,000 00
Street lights,	9,000 00
Public library, books,	500 00
Public library expense,	1,800 00
Memorial services,	175 00
Interest on railroad gratuity bonds,	400 00
Interest on sewerage bonds,	2,800 00
Interest on water bonds, loan of 1887,	1,295 00
Interest on water bonds, loan of 1891,	1,800 00
Interest on water bonds, loan of 1902,	875 00
Payment of railroad gratuity bonds,	10,000 00
Payment of bridge loan, (floating debt),	7,000 00
Public parks,	200 00
H. O. Coolidge annuity,	800 00
School books and supplies,	3,000 00
Elliot city hospital,	500 00
Interest on Thayer and Chapin fund,	175 00
Cemetery department,	300 00
School board and board of education,	240 00
Interest on floating indebtedness,	267 74
Sewer department,	1,000 00
Drain department,	1,000 00
Interest on cemetery funds,	265 49

\$74,393 23

We certify that we have examined the accounts of the city treasurer and city clerk, and find the same correctly kept and properly vouchēd.

JAMES S. TAFT,
CADMON D. ROBERTSON,
JAMES E. CHANDLER,
JOSEPH MADDEN,

Joint Standing Committee on Finance.

Keene, December 10, 1903.

Water Works, Sewers and Drains.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

N. G. GURNSEY, CHAIRMAN.

G. W. FISHER, CLERK.

C. M. NORWOOD.

Office Hours: 7:30 to 9 p. m. Saturdays.

SUPERINTENDENT.

PAUL F. BABBIDGE.

OFFICE, CITY HALL.

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Telephone call, 225-3.

ASSISTANT.

JOHN A. DENISON.

Residence, 39 Union St. Telephone call, 135-14.

INSPECTOR.

DAVID W. MITCHELL.

Residence, 141 Spruce St.

WATER WORKS, SEWERS AND DRAINS.

THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT
TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SEWER DEPARTMENT
SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DRAIN DEPARTMENT
AND THE FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING.

BY THE COMMISSIONERS.

To the City Councils:

Gentlemen.—We herewith transmit the thirty-fourth annual report of the superintendent of the water department, the twentieth annual report of the superintendent of the sewer department, the sixth annual report of the superintendent of the drain department, and the fourth annual report of the inspector of plumbing.

The financial account for the year is as follows:

Assessments and arrearages as given to	
the collector,	\$29,479 51
Amount collected,	\$23,167 27
Amount of discounts,	4,293 86
Amount abated,	433 45
Amount uncollected,	1,584 93
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	\$29,479 51

Earnings for the year are as follows:

Assessments Nos. 67 and 68,	\$22,937	94
Meters,	5,020	88
Cash for stock and labor,	1,781	99
Cash for ice,	200	00
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		\$29,940 81
Less advance discounts,	\$4,293	86
Less abatements,	433	45
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		\$4,727 31
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Gross earnings,	\$25,213	50
Maintenance,	2,398	26
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Net earnings,	\$22,815	24

We trust we are justified in considering the above a satisfactory financial exhibit for the year.

In the matter of extensions, we cannot but feel that the city would be benefited financially if the board had power to make such extensions within reasonable limits, without special legislation in each case. The delay from waiting for such legislation is largely responsible for the fact, that the water department has been laying pipe under two or three feet of frost during the latter part of each of the last four years.

There are certain matters which may be considered for the interest of the several departments under the direction of the board, which we prefer to take up with your committee, rather than to include in this report.

Complete details of the work of the several departments are embodied in the superintendent's report, which we fully endorse.

Respectfully submitted,

N. G. GURNSEY,
G. W. FISHER,
C. M. NORWOOD,

Water, Sewer and Drain Commissioners.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the Board of Water, Sewer and Drain Commissioners :

Gentlemen.—I herewith submit the thirty-fourth annual report of the water department, the twentieth annual report of the sewer department, the sixth annual report of the drain department, and the fourth annual report of the inspector of plumbing.

WATER DEPARTMENT.

SERVICE PIPES.

Reported Dec. 1, 1902,	1,824	
Additions to Dec. 1, 1903,	35	
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Whole number Dec. 1, 1903,		1,859

ASSESSMENTS.

No. sixty-seven,	\$10,820 48	
No. sixty-eight,	12,117 46	
Meters,	5,020 88	
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		\$27,958 82
Uncollected Dec. 1, 1903,		\$1,584 93
Cash received on account of water works,		1,781 99
Deposited with city treasurer,		1,781 99

MAINTENANCE.

Paid N. G. Gurnsey, salary as commissioner,	\$25 00
G. W. Fisher, salary as commissioner,	25 00
C. M. Norwood, salary as commissioner,	25 00
Paul F. Babbidge, salary as superintendent,	800 04
Pay-roll, labor,	2,507 21
B. Marshall, repairs,	90
F. M. Colony, hay,	68 55
B. & M. R. R., freight,	154 72
Knowlton & Stone, goods,	298 10
F. H. Wright, goods,	10 00
New dam and pipe line, pipe,	161 12
H. W. Hubbard, repairs,	51 85
Beaver Mills, wood,	40 81
Nims, Whitney & Co., lumber,	30 92
J. H. P. Cunningham Co., pipe, etc.,	252 81
Braman Dow & Co., jute,	12 92
N. G. Gurnsey, sand,	1 75
Donaldson Iron Co., pipe,	541 62
H. L. Bond & Co., braces,	9 65
Ludlow Valve Co., gates and hydrants,	337 55
H. M. Wilder, teams,	12 50
Nation Meter Co., meters,	83 50
Union Meter Co., meters,	223 65
Sentinel Printing Co., printing,	38 63
G. A. Nims, teams,	22 25
G. H. Tilden & Co., goods,	2 20
D. McGregor, goods,	6 25
Humphrey Machine Co., castings,	14 45
Builders Iron Foundry, castings,	158 85
John Carpenter, repairs,	3 15
Young Jones, shoeing,	14 95
H. A. Eastman, team,	4 00

Paid R. Ray, repairs,	\$28 35
A. B. Skinner & Co., goods,	3 50
J. D. Colony & Son, printing,	33 50
Eames & Towne, grain,	55 92
C. H. Bridgman, goods,	25
W. R. Smyth, goods,	30
Neptune Meter Co., repair meter,	90
Chadwick-Boston Lead Co., lead,	8 07
C. Millar & Son, pipe,	1,744 84
Pearson Brothers, goods,	1 70
F. E. Keyes, goods,	14 88
Robbins & Farnsworth, work at fire,	4 20
J. Cushing & Co., grain,	16 10
G. E. Gilchrist Co., goods,	266 69
J. S. Taft & Co.,	2 25
Thompson Meter Co., meters,	63 03
R. M. Lawrence, teams,	30 75
Dr. S. F. Wadsworth, services,	3 50
Geo. B. Robertson, repairs,	11 45
M. V. B. Clark, goods,	31 81
D. R. & F. A. Cole, grain,	23 52
Norwood Eng'r Co., plugs,	2 97
W. E. Jones, painting wagons,	20 00
C. C. Wilber, services,	3 50
G. M. Rossman, goods,	3 04
Hay's Mfg. Co., boxes,	43 89
Paul F. Babbidge, express, stamps, etc.,	20 00
W. H. Spalter, goods,	4 59
M. M. Spaulding, goods,	1 39
Spencer & Co., goods,	25
M. J. Drummond & Co., boxes,	90 17
F. G. Waldo, repairs,	10 75
W. L. Goodnow Co., goods,	2 70
C. W. Wyman, goods,	5 00
F. C. Gluck Co., repairs,	75
Town of Roxbury, taxes,	299 88
Town of Nelson, taxes,	10 92

Paid Highway department, work,	\$104 40	
		<u>\$8,909 61</u>
	CR.	
By labor and stock on extensions,	\$2,853 90	
Labor and stock on meters,	533 74	
Labor as inspector,	100 00	
Labor on drains,	100 00	
Labor and teams, Echo lake,	213 85	
Cash received for labor and stock,	1,781 99	
Stock on hand,	927 87	
		<u>\$6,511 35</u>
Cost of maintenance,		\$2,398 26

METER DEPARTMENT.

Paid National Meter Co., meters,	\$83 50	
Union Meter Co., meters,	223 65	
B. & M. R. R., freight,	3 21	
Neptune Meter Co., dial,	90	
Thompson Meter Co., repairing me- ters, •	63 03	
Pay roll, labor,	159 45	
		<u>\$533 74</u>
Cost of meters, 1903,		5,620 92
Reported Dec. 1, 1902,		<u>\$6,153 66</u>
Total cost of meters, Dec. 1, 1903,		

WATER EXTENSION.

RUSSELL STREET.

Pipe, lead, etc.,	\$231 68	
Labor,	58 15	
		<u>\$289 83</u>

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PINE AVENUE.

Pipe, lead, etc.,	\$1,029 80	
Labor,	141 70	
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ARCH STREET.

Pipe, lead, etc.,	\$477 77	
Labor,	73 70	
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NORTH LINCOLN STREET.

Pipe, lead, etc.,	\$396 87	
Labor,	87 36	
	<hr/>	\$484 23

NINETY-THIRD STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$38 88	
Labor,	16 65	
	<hr/>	\$55 53

EASTERN AVENUE.

Pipe, lead, etc.,	\$2,936 92	
Labor,	526 32	
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ROOSEVELT STREET.

Pipe, lead, etc.,	\$37 90	
Labor,	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$41 00

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GREEN STREET.

Pipe, lead, etc.,	\$153 10	
Labor,	44 15	
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RAILROAD STREET.

Pipe, lead, etc.,	\$47 50	
Labor,	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$51 50

WILLOW STREET.

Pipe, lead, etc.,	\$32 75	
Labor,	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$38 75

KINGSBURY STREET.

Pipe, lead, etc.,	\$165 73	
Labor,	23 40	
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NEW DAM AND PIPE LINE.

Pipe, lead, etc.,	\$67 48	
Labor,	25 72	
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		\$6,627 53

Cost of extensions, 1903,	\$6,627 53	
Reported Dec. 1, 1902,	261,298 01	
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Total cost of extensions, Dec. 1, 1903,	\$267,925 54	
Cost of reconstruction, Dec. 1, 1903,	83,146 07	
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Total cost of works, Dec. 1, 1903,	\$351,071 61	

INDEBTEDNESS.

WATER BONDS, LOAN OF 1887.

Due.	Rate of Interest.	Amount Due.
1910, January 1,	3½ per cent,	\$7,000 00
1911, “	“	10,000 00
1912, “	“	10,000 00
1913, “	“	10,000 00
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		\$37,000 00

WATER BONDS, LOAN OF 1891.

Due.	Rate of Interest.	Amount Due.
1913, October 1,	4 per cent,	\$5,000 00
1914, “	“	10,000 00
1915, “	“	10,000 00
1916, “	“	10,000 00
1917, “	“	10,000 00
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		\$45,000 00

WATER BONDS, LOAN OF 1902.

Due.	Rate of Interest.	Amount Due.
1909, July 1,	3½ per cent,	\$5,000 00
1910, “	“	5,000 00
1911, “	“	5,000 00
1912, “	“	5,000 00
1913, “	“	5,000 00
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		\$25,000 00
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Total bonded water works debt,		\$107,000 00

ECHO LAKE.

WOOD, LOGS, AND CLEARING LAND.

Sentinel Printing Co.,	\$2 13
H. A. Eastman, team,	72 17
A. Handerson, team,	49 50

W. B. Marks, team,	\$8 42
E. H. Fletcher, team,	168 00
John Lynch, team,	8 62
G. E. Page, team,	122 50
C. L. Smith, team,	3 50
R. M. Lawrence, team,	12 00
M. V. B. Clark, goods,	20 05
Pay roll, labor and team,	175 67
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	\$642 56
Cash for wood and logs,	\$823 92
Deposited with city treasurer,	823 92

WATER PIPE LAID IN 1903.

Street.	Hydrant.	Gates.	2-in.	4-in.	6-in.	8-in.
Russell,.....	1				408	
Pine Ave.,.....	2	1		48		1190
Arch,.....	1	1		24	760	
North Lincoln,.....				1092		
Ninety-third,.....			180			
Eastern Ave.,.....	4	1		80		3310
Roosevelt,.....	1			20		
Green,.....				410		
Railroad,.....		1			50	
Willow,.....					60	
Kingsbury,.....		1			260	
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	8	6	180	1674	1538	4500

MAIN AND DISTRIBUTION PIPES IN USE DEC. 1, 1903.—Continued.

STREETS.	Hydrant.	WROUGHT IRON.			CAST IRON PIPE.								CEMENT LINED.			
		1 in.	1½ in.	2 in.	4 in.	6 in.	8 in.	10 in.	12 in.	14 in.	16 in.	24 in.	4 in.	12 in.	14 in.	16 in.
Tannery	1				470											
Taylor	1				500											
Terrace				475	355											
Towns				263	48											
Towns Ct.					254											
Union	1				1255											
Valley	1				769											
Vernon	1			244	360											
Washington ..	12				535	2044	3696									
Washington Ave.	1				700											
Water	7			307	101	3189	270						422			
Wilford	1				375											
Willow	1				356	60										
Wilson	1			245	690											
Winchester ..	10				4456	932	744									
Winchester Ct.				525												
Winter	1				430	532										
Wells					260											
West	12				258	1408	5840						511			
Woodburn	1				890											
Wilbur				365	642											
Wyman Way	1					511										
Wyman Way Ct.						181										
Wheelock	1					12	400									
Roxbury Main No. 1.							14255	891	325	147						
Roxbury Main No. 2.	3					36	24		18	11593	30					
Totals	228	623	336	15999	50457	60666	45570	1785	25544	741	392	129	985	6446	710	690

RECAPITULATION.

Wrought iron pipe.....	16,958 feet.
Cast iron pipe.....	185,284 "
Cement lined pipe.....	8,831 "
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	211,073 feet.
Or 39 miles, 5,153 feet.	

NO. AND LOCATION OF FIRE HYDRANTS.

NO.	POST.	FLUSH.	STREET.	LOCATION.
1	L*		Arch.	South side, near Dr. Russell's.
221	L		"	South side, opposite Spalding's.
2	L		Adams.	West side, cor. Elliot st.
3	L		"	West side, cor. Gates st.
4	L		"	West side, cor. Baker st.
5	L		Armory.	West side, cor. North st.
6	M*		Appian Way.	South side, between Main and Madison sts.
7	M		"	South side, opposite Madison st.
8	L		Ashuelot.	West side, south of Park st.
9	L		Beaver.	South side, opposite Page st.
10	L		"	South side, west of Beaver brook.
11	L		"	North side, opposite Dover st.
12	L		"	North side, east of Beech st.
13	L		"	North side, west of Grant st.
14	L		Beech.	East side, between Beaver and Roxbury sts.
15	M		Butler Court.	West side, south of Winchester st.
16	M 4-way.		Central Sq.	South side of park.
17	L		"	Northeast side of park.
18	L		Church.	North side, west cor. Norway Ave.
19	L		"	North side, opposite Wells st.
20	L		"	South side, east of Gurnsey st.
21	L		"	South side, opposite Probate st.
22	L		Colorado.	West side, north of West st.
23	L		Cottage.	North side, east end of street.
24	M 3-way.		Court.	West side, front of Court house.
25	M		"	West side, opposite Vernon st.
26	M		"	West side, opposite Mechanic st.
27	M		"	West side, south cor. School st.
28	M		"	West side, opposite Cross st.
29	L		"	East side, north cor. High st.
30	L		"	West side, opposite Forest st.
31	L		"	West side, north cor. Portland st.
32	L		"	West side, south of Linden st.
33	L		"	West side, opposite North st.
34	L		"	East side, north of North st.
35	L		"	West side, at Glue works.
36	M		"	West side, at Glue works.
37	L		"	West side, near Elm st.
38	M		"	West side, near H. M. Darling's.
39	L		"	East side, near Levi Allen's.
40	L		Carpenter.	West side, opposite Fowler st.
41	L		Cross.	North side, east of Howard st.
42	L		"	North side, opposite Green st.
43	L		"	South side, west cor. of Elm st.
44	L		Castle.	North side, opposite Ashuelot st.
45	L		Carroll.	East side, north cor. of High st.
46	L		Davis.	North side, east cor. of Wilson st.

*L—Ludlow. M—Matthews.

NO. AND LOCATION OF FIRE HYDRANTS.—*Continued.*

NO.	POST.	FLUSH.	STREET.	LOCATION.
47	L	H*	Douglass.	West side, north of Roxbury st.
48			Dunbar.	North side, west of Shoe shop.
49	L		"	North side, opposite Crossfield st.
50	L		"	South side, east of Main st.
51	L		Elm.	East side, north of Mechanic st.
52	L		"	East side, near Union st.
53	L		"	East side, north cor. of High st.
54	L		"	East side, opposite Baldwin st.
55	L		"	East side, south cor. of Spruce st.
56	L		"	West side, north cor. of North st.
57	L		"	East side, north of North st.
215	L		"	
58	M		Emerald.	South side, east cor. of Wilson st.
59	M		"	North side, opposite Dunn & Salisbury's.
60		H	"	North side, opposite Ralston st.
61	M		"	North side, west of Ralston st.
62	M		"	North side, west end of Emerald st.
63	L		"	East side, near Gas works. [office.
64		H	"	North side, near Master mechanic's
224	L		Eastern Ave.	East side, north of railroad crossing.
225	L		"	East side, near house No. 152.
226	L		"	West side, north of house No. 127.
227	L		"	West side, south of Water st.
65	L		Forest.	West side, south of Baldwin st.
66	M		Franklin.	West side, north of Spring st.
67	L		George.	North side, near foot of hill.
68			"	North side, east of Beaver brook.
69	L		Gilsum.	West side, north cor. of North st.
70	L		"	West side, north of Washington st.
71	L		Grove.	West side, opposite Myrtle st.
72	L		Grant.	West side, north of Roxbury st.
73	M		Harrison.	East side, north cor. of Church st.
74	M 3-way.		"	East side, south of Beaver brook.
75	L		High.	South side, east cor. of Carroll st.
76	L		Howard.	West side, north cor. of High st.
77	L		"	East side, north of Maple st.
78	L		"	East side, opposite Spruce st.
79	M		Island.	West side, south of Railroad.
214	C*		Jemison.	East side, cor. of Foster st.
80	L		Kelleher.	East side, opposite house No. 45.
209	L		"	West side, cor. of Baker st.
81	L		Leverett.	West cor. of River st.
82	L		Lincoln.	West side, south cor. of Church st.
83	L		"	West side, south of Church st.
84	L		"	West side, north cor. of Water St.
85	L		"	West side, south of Roxbury st.
86	L		"	East side, south cor. of Beaver st.
87	M		Main.	West side, south cor. West st.

* H—Humphrey. C—Chapman.

NO. AND LOCATION OF FIRE HYDRANTS.—*Continued.*

NO.	POST.	FLUSH.	STREET.	LOCATION.
88	M		Main.	East side, south cor. of Church st.
89	M		"	West side, north cor. of Railroad sq.
90	M		"	West side, south of Railroad.
91	M		"	West side, south cor. of Emerald st.
92	L		"	West side, south cor. of Davis st.
93	L		"	East side, south cor. Marlboro st.
94	L		"	West side, south cor. Winchester st.
95	M		"	West side, north cor. Appian Way.
96	M		"	West side, front of City hospital.
97	M		"	West side, south of Gates st.
98	M		"	West side, opposite Baker st.
99	M		"	West side, front of E. F. Lane's.
100	L		"	West side, at J. S. Taft & Co.'s.
101	L		"	West side, near Park entrance.
102	L		"	West side, near Knight's.
103	L		Marlboro.	South side, east of Main st.
104	L		"	South side, opposite Grove st.
105	L		"	South side, west cor. Kelleher st.
106		H	"	South side, east of Beaver brook.
107		H	"	South side, west of Baker st.
108		H	"	North side, east of Baker st.
109		H	"	South side, east of Baker st.
210	L		"	East side, at Eastern Ave.
211	L		"	East side, opposite No. 505.
212	L		"	East side, south of No. 534.
213	C		"	East side, near schoolhouse.
110	L		McKinley.	South side, east of Park Ave.
111	L		"	West side, south of Russell st.
112	M		Mechanic.	North side, east cor. Pleasant st.
113	M		"	North side, west cor. Elm st.
114	M		Middle.	West side, opposite Centre st.
115	M		Myrtle.	North side, opposite Foster st.
116	M		"	West side, east of Beaver brook.
117	L		Park.	North side, west of Colorado st.
118	L		Park Ave.	East side, north of West st.
119	L		"	East side, cor of Russell st.
120	L		"	East side, north of Russell st.
121	L		"	East side, opposite Arch st.
122		H	Pearl.	West side, north of railroad.
123		H	"	West side, south of Hart place.
124		H	"	West side, at Ash swamp road.
125		H	"	West side, near turn of road.
126		H	"	North side, 600 feet west of schoolhouse.
127		H	"	South side, west of schoolhouse.
128	H		Prospect.	North side, west of Forest st., near top of hill.
222	L		Pine Ave.	East side, near house No. 17.
223	L		"	East side, near house No. 45.

No. AND LOCATION OF FIRE HYDRANTS.—*Continued.*

NO.	POST.	FLUSH.	STREET.	LOCATION.
128	L		Roosevelt.	West side, cor. of Fairview st.
129	L		Railroad.	North side, west cor. Wells st.
130	L		"	Southside, near Wright's meat house.
131	M		"	South side, east of 93d st.
132		H	"	South side, at Humphrey's shop.
133	M		"	North side, at Beaver mills office.
134	H		"	Southwest cor. Cheshire Chair shop.
135	L		"	West of Cheshire Chair shop.
136	L		"	East of furniture shop.
137	H		"	South side of furniture shop.
138	L		Railroad Sq.	South side, west of passenger depot.
139	L		"	North side, opposite freight depot.
140	L		Ralston.	East side, north cor. of Davis st.
141	M		Roxbury.	South side, near livery stable.
142	M		"	North side, front of Davis & Wright Co.'s.
143	M		"	North side, opposite Norway Ave.
144	M		"	South side, opposite Franklin st.
145	M		"	North side, east cor. of Beech st.
146	M		"	North side, west cor. of Lincoln st.
147		H	"	West side, opposite Terrace st.
148	L		School.	East side, north of Winter st.
149	L		"	East side, south of Castle st.
150	L		"	East side, cor. West st.
151	L		"	East side, opposite Leverett st.
152	L		Spring.	North side, west cor. of Towns st.
153	L		"	North side, east cor. of Brook st.
154	L		Spruce.	North side, east cor. of Forest st.
155	M		Summer.	North side, opposite Middle st.
156	L		South.	West side, south of Marlboro st.
218	L		South Keene.	East of iron bridge.
219	L		"	At railroad crossing.
220	L		"	South side, top of hill.
157	M		Tannery.	West side, near Tannery st.
158	L		Taylor.	North side, east of Towns st.
159	L		Union.	North side, east cor. of Green st.
160	L		Valley.	West side, south of Church st.
161	M		Vernon.	North side, west cor. of Elm st.
162	M		Washington.	East side, north of City Hall.
163	M		"	East side, north cor. of Spring st.
164	L		"	West side, north cor. of Mechanic st.
165	L		"	East side, north cor. of Beaver st.
166	L		"	West side, north cor. of Pine st.
167	L		"	East side, south of Greenlawn st.
168	L		"	East side, south cor. of Cottage st.
169	L		"	East side, south of Wilford st.
170	L		"	East side, south of Washington Ave.
171	L		"	East side, north of George st.
172	L		"	East side, north of George st.

NO. AND LOCATION OF FIRE HYDRANTS.—*Continued.*

NO.	POST.	FLUSH.	STREET.	LOCATION.
173	L		Washington.	East side, near Morse's.
174	L		Washington	North side, west cor. of Ellis ct.
175	L		Water. [Ave.	South side, east of Main st.
176	L		"	South side, west cor of Willow st.
177	L		"	South side, west of Grove st.
178	L		"	South side, west of railroad.
179	L		"	South side, east of railroad.
180	L		"	South side, opposite Valley st.
181		H	"	South side, top of hill.
182	L		Wilford.	North side, near Green's shop.
217	L		Wheelock.	East side, cor. of Russell st.
183	L		Willow.	East side, south of Water st.
184	M		Winter.	South side, opposite Middle st.
185	L		Woodburn.	East side, south cor. Linden st.
186	L		West.	North side, west of post office.
187	L		"	North side, west of St. James st.
188	M		"	North side, east cor. of Colorado st.
189	M		"	North side, east cor. Ashuelot st.
190	L		"	South side, west cor. of Island st.
191	L		"	North side, west of bridge.
192	L		"	North side, opposite Pearl st.
193	L		"	North side, west of Pearl st.
194	L		"	North side, opposite C. P. Pitcher's.
195	L		"	North side, east cor. of McKinley st.
196	M		"	North side, opposite Tannery place.
197		H	"	North side, opposite Foster's house.
198	M		Winchester.	North side, opposite Madison st.
199	M		"	North side, west of railroad.
200	M		"	North side, opposite Winchester ct.
201		H	"	South side, west cor. of Winchester ct.
202		H	"	West side, south of schoolhouse.
203		H	"	West side, opposite Whitcomb farm.
204		H	"	West side, at Burnap ct.
205	C		"	West side, front of brick house.
206		H	"	East side, at A. J. Williams'.
207		H	"	East side, Hamblet's old place.
208	L		Wilson.	West side, south of Davis st.
216	L		Wyman Way.	North side, east cor. of — st.

RECAPITULATION.

Matthews post, 4-way,.....	1
Matthews post, 3-way,.....	2
Matthews post, 2-way,.....	51
Ludlow post, 2-way,.....	144
Chapman post, 2-way,.....	3
Humphrey post, 2-way,.....	3
Humphrey flush, 2-way,.....	24
Total number of hydrants in service, Dec. 1, 1903,	228

REGULATIONS.

APPLICATION FOR CONNECTIONS AND SUPPLIES, ETC.

Applications for the use of water, or for the connection of any service pipes or fixtures to supply any premises, shall be made to the superintendent, stating the requirements of the applicant, with an agreement to conform at all times to the current rules and regulations which may be established in relation thereto. Also, the location, capacity, quality and general character of any pipe or other fixings used, whenever the interests of the works may be affected thereby.

Each service pipe connected to any street main or distributing pipe belonging to the works, shall, near the sidewalk, be provided with an iron extension stop box, the cover of which shall be flush with the sidewalk or top of ground; also with suitable stop and waste cocks (on premises of owner inside the cellar wall) for shutting off and discharging the water from all pipes or fixtures liable to injury from the action of frost.

AN ORDINANCE.

In the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

Be it ordained by the city councils of the city of Keene, as follows:

That sections 17, 18, 19 and 20 of Chapter IV of city ordinances be and hereby are repealed, and section 21 be and hereby is renumbered 20, and the following substituted in place of sections 17, 18 and 19.

SECTION 17. The water and sewer department shall make all water and sewer connections and furnish and lay all pipe and other materials for the same, to the street line, for the following fees:

For each house drain to street line,	\$9 00
For each $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch connection and pipe to street line,	9 00

For each $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch connection and 1-inch pipe to street line,	\$9 50
For each 1-inch connection and 1-inch pipe to street line,	10 00
For each 1-inch connection and $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch pipe to street line,	11 00
For each $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch connection and $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch pipe to street line,	12 00

All connections with the surface drains will be made by the department.

In no case shall the water be turned on or the soil pipe or the drain pipe used until the fees aforesaid and costs of work done, is paid.

EXAMINATION AND OVERSIGHT OF FIXTURES AND SUPPLIES, ETC.

All persons using water, or whose premises are furnished with pipes connected with the water works, are required to give due notice of any changes involving any increase in use of water; also to allow the commissioners, the superintendent, or his assistants to make personal examination of all fixtures between the hours of eight a. m., and six p. m., also, to answer correctly all proper inquiries in relation to the quantity, purposes and manner in which water is used upon their premises, so far as may be deemed necessary for a faithful supervision of the same; and any person who shall make false representations in regard to the amount of water used, or who shall allow any other person or family to take or use water from his fixtures, or shall use it for any purpose not included in their contracts or payments without the consent of the commissioners, thereby intending to evade or defraud in the payment of rates, shall be subject to payment of double rates therefor or to such other penalties as may be provided by law.

Any person whose premises are supplied with service pipe and fixtures allowing tenants or others to take or

use water from same, will be holden for the payment for water so used or taken.

PROVISIONS FOR SHUTTING OFF SUPPLY, ETC.

In cases of misrepresentation, misuse or waste of water, non-payment of rent, or for neglect or refusal to comply with the established rules and regulations of the water works, the commissioners may cause the supply to be shut off and withheld from any service pipe until the cause of the complaint is removed, and the sum of one dollar is paid for the expense of shutting off the water.

And in case two or more several parties or families are supplied by any service pipe from which the water may be shut off on account of the failure of any one of them to comply with the established rules and regulations, the supply may be withheld from them without liability in damage to either of them until the defaulting party shall remove the cause of complaint.

And if any person shall without permit, turn on the water at any corporation or private stop-cock, when it has been shut off on account of any violation of rules, until all costs are paid and all causes of complaint are removed, such person or persons using water therefrom, shall be liable to payment of three-fold rates and such other penalties as may be recovered by law.

The right to shut off water for repairs, extensions, and other necessary purposes of the works, is at all times reserved; also, in case of scarcity, or deficient supply, the use for garden hose and other purposes for which comparatively low rates are charged, are to be subject to such restrictions as may be deemed necessary to meet the exigencies of the occasion. And in case of fire, it is the duty of all users to shut off and discontinue, as far as practicable, all draughts from the works which may lessen the pressure at the fire hydrants.

If any house or tenement becomes vacant, the superintendent's office shall be notified. He will at once cause the

water to be shut off, until the house or tenement is again occupied, and on application from the owner will let it on again, without expense to the owner. Otherwise full rates will be charged and no rebate will be allowed.

METERS.

Consumers who desire to take water through a meter rather than at schedule rates, can do so on paying the cost of such meter as shall be approved by the commissioners, together with the cost of putting in and maintaining the same in perfect repair.

WASTE.

The owner or user shall at all times keep the pipe and fixtures in good order to prevent leakage or waste of water; and no continuous flow of water to guard against freezing, or for any other purpose, will be allowed.

ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF RENTALS, ETC.

Semi-annual assessments of rents for use of water are made on the first days of June and December, except metered water, which is due in March, June, September and December, and are payable to the collector, who will be at his office at suitable times for that purpose, of which due notice will from time to time be given; and all regular patrons of the works making payment within forty days from the date of any such assessment—with the understanding that no rebate is to be claimed for any temporary discontinuance of any use for which payment is made—shall be entitled to a discount of twenty per cent from the regular rates; and all rates not paid in advance or during the forty days from the date of assessment as aforesaid, are to be charged at full advertised rates, and to be deemed due and payable at the expiration of six month's use.

[CHAPTER IV, SECTION 18, CITY ORDINANCES.]

The superintendent shall notify all water takers who are in arrears one assessment that immediate payment is necessary; and if such payment is not made within thirty days after such notice is given, the superintendent shall then immediately shut off the water from the premises occupied by such persons until the assessment is paid in full, with an additional charge of one dollar to cover expenses.

SCHEDULE OF ANNUAL RATES.

For the ordinary and legitimate uses of each family having the usual kitchen fixtures only, and not including use for watering gardens or other purposes, as follows:

For first four persons or less,	\$5 00
For each additional person,	50
For each additional room supplied with fixtures, not otherwise rated,	1 00
For one bath tub,	4 00
For each bath tub exceeding one,	2 00
For one water closet,	4 00
For each water closet exceeding one,	2 00
Boilers for water or steam heating,	\$1.25 to 10 00
Hose or hydrant for garden or lawn sprinkling (for four months),	4 00
And upward according to use required.	
Ornamental fountains (limited use),	6 00
Hotels, for each room to twenty-five,	1 00
Each room exceeding twenty-five,	50
Hotel stables, each stall to ten,	1 25
Hotel stables, each stall exceeding ten,	50
Livery stables, each horse to twenty,	2 50
Each horse exceeding twenty,	1 25
Private stables, for first two horses, each,	2 50
Each horse exceeding two,	1 25

Water for washing carriages to be included in stable rates.

Oxen or cows, each,	\$1 25
Special rates for large number.	
Restaurants, apothecaries and photographers,	8 00
And upward.	
Stores or shops using moderate quantities of water,	5 00
Rooms used exclusively as offices,	2 50
Saloons,	\$15.50 to 20 25

METERS.

For domestic use:

Minimum rate, \$8.00 per year or for 4,000 cubic feet.

Over 4,000 cubic feet, 20 cents per 100 cubic feet.

For manufacturing purposes:

For the first 100 cubic feet per day,	\$0 12
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For the second 100 cubic feet per day,	08
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For the third 100 cubic feet per day,	04
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All over 300 cubic feet per day,	02
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Drinking fountains and watering places for public use, and hydrants or fixtures for the protection of property of any private individuals against fire, provided and maintained at private expense by approval of the commissioners, free.

For all other purposes not enumerated, special rates may be made by the commissioners. Rates for temporary uses, or for periods of less than one year, may be charged at an advance of fifty to one hundred per cent on the schedule of annual rates, according to the season and nature of the use.

The minimum rate for garden hose or lawn sprinkler is based upon the use of a one-fourth inch jet or its equivalent, not exceeding one hour each day for the season of four months from June to September, and no deduction will be made for partial discontinuance of use.

The rates for ornamental fountains is based upon the equivalent of a one-sixteenth inch jet at standard pressure, averaging not exceeding four hours' daily use during the months of June to September, inclusive, and subject to

such other restrictions as occasion may require, without deduction for partial discontinuance of use.

Approved and adopted by the board of water and sewer commissioners for the city of Keene, November 1st, 1903.

AMOUNT OF ASSESSMENT AND NET EARNINGS OF
THE WATER WORKS FROM 1870 TO 1903
INCLUSIVE.

Year.	Amount of Assessment.	Net Earnings.
1870.....	\$940.73.....	(No record.)
1871.....	3,425.10.....	\$2,633.28
1872.....	4,718.18.....	2,718.18
1873.....	6,336.84.....	4,772.27
1874.....	7,061.10.....	5,885.35
1875.....	7,214.08.....	6,934.31
1876.....	7,594.54.....	6,336.42
1877.....	7,024.60.....	6,228.68
1878.....	6,906.21.....	6,147.49
1879.....	7,372.34.....	6,597.44
1880.....	8,315.58.....	7,354.82
1881.....	9,065.16.....	7,202.98
1882.....	9,461.10.....	8,429.79
1883.....	10,133.71.....	8,883.56
1884.....	13,815.93.....	10,039.84
1885.....	14,457.92.....	10,626.39
1886.....	15,326.32.....	11,453.39
1887.....	15,794.87.....	11,425.05
1888.....	16,128.67.....	11,595.02
1889.....	16,280.23.....	11,358.68
1890.....	17,040.15.....	10,976.29
1891.....	17,526.49.....	12,472.05
1892.....	18,574.29.....	13,771.34
1893.....	19,801.12.....	14,424.78
1894.....	20,142.98.....	15,359.92

Year.	Amount of Assessment.	Net Earnings.
1895.....	\$21,248.19.....	\$17,382.28
1896.....	22,538.41.....	17,469.91
1897.....	23,312.56.....	18,007.94
1898.....	23,734.74.....	18,287.90
1899.....	24,756.01.....	19,433.76
1900.....	26,427.69.....	21,450.11
1901.....	27,327.92.....	23,292.42
1902.....	27,486.10.....	22,207.11
1903.....	27,958.82.....	22,815.24
	<u>\$505,248.18</u>	<u>\$393,973.85</u>

NUMBER OF FAMILIES, PERSONS, ETC., USING
WATER DECEMBER 1, 1903.

Families,.....	2,154
Persons,.....	8,250
Sinks,.....	2,455
Water closets,.....	1,919
Bath tubs,.....	679
Set bowls,.....	1,107
Hose,.....	376
Boilers,.....	301
Horses,.....	672
Cows,.....	269
Stores,.....	68
Churches,.....	8
Banks,.....	8
Restaurants,.....	4
Meat markets,.....	8
Drug stores,.....	5
Fruit and candy stores,.....	4
Fish markets,.....	2
Barber shops,.....	11
Dentists,.....	10
Bakers,.....	4

Manufacturers,	34
Florists,	4
Ice dealers,	3
Jewelers,	5
Printers,	3
Hotels,	4
Laundries,	3
Offices,	36
Billiard,	3
Railroad,	1
Livery stables,	9
Blacksmith shops,	7
Boarding houses,	6
Bottlers,	4
Saloons,	8
Plumbers,	3
Machine shops,	3
Wood yards,	1
Coal yards,	1

REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 1, 1903.

Statistics as suggested by the New England Water Works Association:

Population by census of 1900, 9,165. Constructed, 1868. Owned by the city of Keene. Source of supply, Sylvan lake, three miles from city; Echo lake, seven miles from city.

FINANCIAL.

From consumers:	
C. Net receipts from water,	\$25,213 50
From public:	
F. Hydrants, 220 at 25,	\$5,700 00

G. Fountains, 3,	\$150 00
G. Water troughs, 4,	200 00
H. Street watering,	1,500 00
I. Public buildings,	200 00
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	\$7,750 00
Gross receipts,	<hr/>
	\$32,963 50

EXPENDITURES.

A. A. Management and repairs,	\$2,398 26
B. B. Interest on debt,	3,532 50
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C. C. Total maintenance,	\$5,930 76
D. D. Balance to city,	27,032 74
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E. E. Total,	\$32,963 50

CONSUMPTION.

1. Estimated population to date,	10,000
2. Estimated population on line of pipe,	9,500
3. Estimated supplied at date,	8,800

DISTRIBUTION.

1. Kind of pipe used, wrought iron, cement lined and cast iron.
2. Size, from 4-inch to 24-inch.
3. Extended 7,712 feet.
4. Discontinued 0 feet.
5. Total now in use, 39 miles, 5,153 feet.
6. Cost of repairs per mile, \$2.70.
7. Number of leaks per mile, one and one-tenth.
8. Small distribution pipes, less than 4-inch, total length 3 miles, 1,118 feet.
9. Hydrants added, 8.

10. Number now in use, 228.
11. Stop gates added, 5.
12. Number now in use, 383.
14. Number of blow-off gates, 31.
15. Range of pressure day and night, 58 to 63 pounds.

SERVICES.

16. Wrought iron, cement lined, galvanized and lead.
17. From $\frac{3}{4}$ to 6-inch.
18. Extended 1,750 feet.
20. Total miles, 10 miles, 4,660 feet.
21. Service pipes or taps added, 35.
22. Number now in use, 1,859.
24. Meters added, 1.
26. Number now in use, 106.
28. Motors and elevators in use, 10.

The works are in excellent condition. Since the first of July nearly all water used by the city has been drawn from the Roxbury supply.

The condition of the lakes is satisfactory, Sylvan Lake is nearly full and about two and a half feet available at Echo Lake.

I recommend that the two and four-inch pipe in Grove street, be replaced with six-inch pipe.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL F. BABBIDGE,
Superintendent.

SEWER DEPARTMENT.

Connections reported December 1, 1902,	\$1,077
Additions to December 1, 1903,	30
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Whole number December 1, 1903,	\$1,197

RECEIPTS.

Received for connections, stock and labor,	\$618 65
Deposited with city treasurer,	618 65

MAINTENANCE.

Paid Paul F. Babbidge, salary,	\$399 96
Pay-roll, labor,	798 65
F. M. Colony, hay,	37 20
Knowlton & Stone, pipe, etc.,	418 56
F. H. Wright, goods,	6 25
J. M. Duffy, goods,	11 30
Beaver Mills, lumber,	16 32
Nims, Whitney & Co., lumber,	31 75
Pearson Brothers, goods,	14 80
C. C. Buffum, recording deed,	50
H. L. Bond & Co., braces,	9 00
F. E. Keyes, goods,	40
Sentinel Printing Co., printing,	8 50
F. C. Tilton & Co., goods,	1 50
D. McGregor, goods,	7 70
E. G. Soltiman, goods,	1 18
R. C. Jones, repairs,	4 50

Humphrey Machine Co., castings,	\$28 53
Aldrich & Dutton, goods,	1 50
Young Jones, shoeing,	7 95
Geo. H. Eames, grain,	30 65
J. Cushing & Co., grain,	8 20
Geo. B. Robertson, repair wagon,	6 50
M. V. B. Clark, goods,	3 20
D. R. & F. A. Cole, grain,	9 80
Darling & Co., printing,	75
W. E. Jones, painting wagons,	10 25
J. F. Morse estate, sand,	60
G. E. Pool, work,	5 25
John Carpenter, repairs,	2 35
Carey & Faulkner, goods,	84
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight,	26
Paul F. Babbidge, express, postage stamps,	6 90
W. H. Spalter, goods,	2 50
G. E. Gilchrist Co., goods,	23 75
Highway Department, team work,	16 50
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	\$1,934 35

CR.

By labor and stock on new sewers,	\$705 32
Cash for labor and stock,	618 65
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	\$1,323 97
Cost of maintenance,	<hr/>
	\$610 38

NEW SEWERS.

ROXBURY STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$97 98
Labor,	143 12
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	\$241 10

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FOREST STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$11 79	
Labor,	10 50	
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CARPENTER STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$69 66	
Labor,	43 20	
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KINGSBURY STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$55 68	
Labor,	37 44	
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WILLOW STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$62 40	
Labor,	42 45	
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EMERALD STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$33 48	
Labor,	27 95	
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LEVERETT STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$35 53	
Labor,	22 65	
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WEST STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$49 23	
Labor,	54 30	
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CITY OF KEENE.

SPRUCE STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$11 79	
Labor,	10 00	
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ARMORY STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$13 00	
Labor,	9 95	
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RICHARDSON COURT.

Pipe, etc.,	\$13 04	
Labor,	8 00	
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		\$863 14

Cost of new sewers, 1903,	\$863 14	
Reported Dec. 1, 1902,	92,317 61	
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Total cost of sewers, Dec. 1, 1903,		\$93,180 75

NEW SEWERS LAID IN 1903.

Street.	6-inch.
Roxbury,.....	689
Forest,.....	78
Carpenter,.....	480
Kingsbury,.....	416
Willow,.....	470
Emerald,.....	220
Leverett,.....	256
West,.....	360
Spruce,.....	78
Armory,.....	100
Richardson Ct.,.....	100
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	3,247 feet.

KEENE SEWERS.

MAINS AND LATERALS IN USE DEC. 1, 1903.

STREET.	M. H.	Tank.	6 in.	8 in.	10 in.	12 in.	15 in.
Adams.....			1528				
Appian Way.....		1	1325				
Armory.....			660				
Appleton.....			258				
Ashuelot.....	1				1674		
Ashuelot Ct.....			314				
Barker.....				512			
Baldwin.....			200				
Baker.....			599				
Beaver.....		3	1325				
Beech.....			760				
Brook.....	2		575			750	
Butler Ct.....	4						1085
Castle.....			272				
Colorado.....		1	937		514		
Carpenter.....			820				
Carroll.....		1	880				
Central Sq.....	2		280		285		
Centre.....		1	370				
Church.....	3	1	2690	850			
Chestnut.....			265				
City hall.....		1	312				
Coolidge.....		1	340				
Court.....	2		3431		655		
Cross.....		2	1000				
Clarke's block.....			185				
Crossfield.....			206				
Damon Ct.....			400				
Davis.....	3					1400	
Douglass.....		1	1060				
Dover.....			880				
Dunbar.....		1	1010				
Edwards.....			441				
Elliot.....		1	880				
Elm.....			2090				
Emerald.....			865				
Fairfield Ct.....			220				
Forest.....			1234				
Franklin.....		1	960				
Fowler.....			262				
Foster.....			600				
Gardner.....			194				
Gates.....			150				
Gilsum.....			760				
Grant.....		1	600				
Green.....			450				
Greenlawn.....			350				
Grove.....		1	750				

MAINS AND LATERALS IN USE DEC. 1, 1903.—*Continued.*

STREET.	M. H.	Tank.	6 in.	8 in.	10 in.	12 in.	15 in.
Gurnsey.....			362				
Harrison.....	4						560
High.....		3	1538				
Howard.....			1003				
Howard Ct.....			218				
Howard Pl.....			200				
Jennison.....			188				
Kelleher.....	3						1040
Kingsbury.....			416				
Lincoln.....		2	1930				
Leverett.....			286	360			
Main.....	5	5	6108	775	240	1022	
Marlboro.....		1	1760				
Maple.....			426				
Mechanic.....	1	1	450	320			
Middle.....		1	325				
Myrtle.....			400				
Mystic.....			200				
Midway.....			300				
Ninety-third.....			170				
North.....			445				
North Lincoln.....		1	815				
Oak.....		1	505				
Proctor Ct.....			494				
Park.....			362				
Page.....		1	620				
Pine.....			440				
Pleasant.....			480				
Probate.....			726				
Prospect.....		1	260				
Portland.....				350			
River.....				1230			
Richardson Ct.....			530				
Railroad.....		1	1160				
Railroad Sq.....			460				
Ralston.....	2		350			680	
Roxbury.....	2	2	3029	800			
School.....		1	1720				
South.....			726				
Spring.....		1	745				
Spruce.....		1	483				
Summer.....		1	690				
St. James.....		1	270				
Taylor.....		1	500				
Terrace.....		1	520				
Towns.....			190				
Towns Ct.....			240				
Union.....		2	740				
Valley.....		1	1050				
Vernon.....		1	320		200		

MAINS AND LATERALS IN USE DEC. 1, 1903.—*Continued.*

STREET.	M. H.	Tank.	6 in.	8 in.	10 in.	12 in.	15 in.
Washington.....		1	3180				
Water.....	2	2	2743	665			
West.....		1	2690				
Willow.....		1	760				
Woodburn.....			1050				
Wells.....			70				
Wilson.....		2	724				
Winchester.....			1520				200
Winchester Ct.....			550				
Wilbur.....			530				
Winter.....		1	850				
Wyman Way.....			838	100			
Wyman Way Ct.....			180				
Beaver main.....	17						6180
Beaver mills.....			315				
Totals,	54	57	85148	5962	3568	3852	9065

Manholes, 54.

Flush tanks, 57.

6-inch pipe.....	85,148
8-inch pipe.....	5,962
10-inch pipe.....	3,568
12-inch pipe.....	3,852
15-inch pipe.....	9,065

Total, 107,595 feet, or 20 miles, 1995 feet.

The system is in good condition.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL F. BABIDGE,
Superintendent.

DRAIN DEPARTMENT.

Paid water department, labor,	\$100 00
Pay-roll, labor,	554 05
F. M. Colony, hay,	35 53
Knowlton & Stone, goods,	340 44
F. H. Wright, goods,	6 25
G. W. Ball's Son, brick,	25 25
Pearson Brothers, goods,	4 00
D. McGregor, goods,	1 70
Humphrey Machine Co., castings,	28 25
Y. Jones, shoeing,	7 70
Geo. H. Eames, grain,	29 35
Carey & Faulkner, goods,	76
C. E. Wood, mason,	7 20
J. Cushing & Co., grain,	8 20
H. Giffin, coal,	1 93
G. B. Robertson, repair wagons,	19 60
M. V. B. Clark, goods,	2 96
D. R. & F. A. Cole, grain,	9 80
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight,	2 65
Concord Foundry Co., castings,	68 40
W. E. Jones, painting wagons,	10 20
J. Duffy, goods,	13 00
C. M. Cummings, goods,	7 00
Paul F. Babbidge, express, etc.,	6 00
W. H. Spalter, goods,	2 50
G. H. Gilchrist, goods,	2 75
L. E. Joslin, sand,	5 05
Highway department, work,	14 00
J. H. Cunningham Co., goods,	4 38

\$1,318 90

CR.

By labor and stock on new drains,	\$678 07	
Cash for labor and stock,	266 40	
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Cost of maintenance, 1903,		<hr/> \$374 43

NEW DRAINS.

ELM STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$334 94	
Labor,	99 15	
	<hr/>	\$434 09

MECHANIC STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$192 44	
Labor,	52 85	
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PLEASANT STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$216 25	
Labor,	94 00	
	<hr/>	\$310 25

ASHUELOT STREET.

Brick, etc.,	\$17 95	
Labor,	11 50	
	<hr/>	\$29 45

NORTH STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$57 75	
Labor,	20 35	
	<hr/>	\$78 10

HIGH STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$124 15	
Labor,	52 15	
	<hr/>	\$176 30

CENTRE STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$26 11	
Labor,	11 28	
	<hr/>	\$37 39

WATER STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$23 99	
Labor,	10 08	
	<hr/>	\$34 07

WEST STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$6 34	
Labor,	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$7 84

MAIN STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$43 40	
Labor,	9 40	
	<hr/>	\$52 80

APPLETON STREET.

Pipe, etc.,	\$7 09	
Labor,	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$8 59

BEAVER BROOK.

Labor,	\$113 90	
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Cost of new drains, 1903,	\$1,528 07
Reported December 1, 1902,	29,158 36
Total cost of drains, December 1, 1903,	<u>\$30,686 43</u>

NEW DRAINS LAID IN 1903.

Street.	C.B.	M.H.	G.	6-in.	8-in.	10-in.	12-in.	15-in.	18-in.	20-in.
Elm,.....	1								18	380
Mechanic,.....	1	2		68	16				230	
Pleasant,.....	1			20		200	260			
Ashuelot,.....	1									
North,.....	1					140				
High,.....	5	60	408							
Centre,.....	4	94								
Water,.....	3	36	48							
Main,.....	2	10	70							
Appleton,.....	1	1	30							
West,.....	1	30								
	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>260</u>	<u>614</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>340</u>	<u>260</u>	<u>540</u>	<u>380</u>

APPROXIMATE TABLE OF SURFACE DRAINS IN USE DEC. 1, 1903.

STREET.	36 in. Brick.	24 in. Iron.	PIPE.							Stone.	Catch-basins.	Grates.	Manholes.	Stand-pipes.	Open Ditch.
			24 in.	20 in.	18 in.	15 in.	12 in.	10 in.	8 in.	6 in.					
Adams.....									195			1			
Applan Way							375	540	89	182		5			
Applan Way Ct.....									260			2			
Appleton.....									30			1			
Brook.....									254	40	1	5			
Beech.....							40	224	148	110	2	4			
Carpenter.....						50									
Carroll.....								492	60	270	1	6			
Central Sq						154	320	100	290		4	8			
Centre.....								94	220		1	6			
Church.....					40	530	198	196	324	14	4	12			
Crossfield.....									320		1	7			
Colorado.....								208	470	76					
Coolidge.....									50			2			
Court.....							1390	490	1265	200	6	12			
Cross.....								286	156	34		10	2		
Douglass.....									20		1				
Dover.....								273	226	12	2	5			
Dunbar.....									90			5			
Edwards.....							230	252		37					
Elliot.....									550		1	2			
Elm.....				380	18		1823	72	162	190	3	22			
Emerald.....							375	540	89	182	1	11			
Forest.....									64			1			
Franklin									300	70		6		1	

APPROXIMATE TABLE OF SURFACE DRAINS IN USE DEC. 1, 1903.—Continued.

STREET.	36 in. Brick.	24 in. Iron.	PIPE.								Stone.	Catch-basins.	Grates.	Manholes.	Stand-pipes.	Open Ditch.
			24 in.	20 in.	18 in.	15 in.	12 in.	10 in.	8 in.	6 in.						
Foster.....	980	40	.....	2	2	.....	.....	.....
Green.....	415	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....
Greenlawn.....	40	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....
Grove.....	570	112	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....
Harrison.....	250	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....
High.....	408	240	.....	.....	14	.....	.....	.....
Howard.....	768	44	146	.....	3	14	.....	.....	.....
Kingsbury.....	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Main.....	40	645	616	1830	60	.....	16	13	.....	1	.....
Marlboro.....	572	840	648	416	210	.....	2	22	.....	.....	.....
Mechanic.....	230	.....	.....	68	218	.....	.....	1	7	.....	.....	.....
Madison.....	95	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....
Middle.....	300	80	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	.....
North.....	140	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....
Pine.....	130	80	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....
Pearl.....	380	62	50	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant.....	260	200	.....	20	.....	.....	2	4	.....	.....	.....
Probate.....	630	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	6	.....	.....	.....
Prospect.....	42	44	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....
Park Ave.....	62	.....	156	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Railroad.....	1290	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	120	.....	2	8	.....	.....	.....
Ralston.....	292	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Roxbury.....	920	128	.....	.....	.....	.....	818	837	516	528	.....	9	30	3	.....	.....
School.....	760	.....	80	90	.....	2	9	.....	.....	.....
Spring.....	250	185	20	.....	.....	5	.....	1	.....

APPROXIMATE TABLE OF SURFACE DRAINS IN USE DEC. 1. 1903. — *Continued.*

STREET.	36 in. Brirk.	24 in. Iron.	PIPE.							Stone.	Catch-basins.	Grates.	Manholes.	Stand-pipes.	Open Ditch.
			24 in.	20 in.	18 in.	15 in.	12 in.	10 in.	8 in.	6 in.					
Spruce.....					250		42	44	97	56		6			
St. James.....								340	112	76		1			
South.....								86	106			1			
Summer.....									465		1	5			
South Lincoln.....							132				210	1			
Tyler Ravine.....										26					
Valley.....		21													
Vernon.....								125	54	6		4			
Washington.....									335	24		5			
Water.....						336	1570	280	735	485		9	14	5	
Wilson.....							1830		514	206		3	16	2	
West.....								430	195			6			
Wells.....					250	1115		84	485	110	75	21			
Winchester.....					300							1	1		
Winter.....				74		860	682		188			1	8	2	
Wilber.....								550	182	260		15			
Private Land:								80				1	1		
Town brook.....		85			360						760				
St. James to river.....						1055					130	1	4		1618
Through railroad land.....					2400					350		2			
Elliot to brook.....						50	340	451	240						
Baker to brook.....										475					
Beaverbrook,Roxbury to river.....						176									6770
Portland to West.....					100						320		1		2670
Totals,	920	85	128	767	5238	5250	14151	9820	14962	6246	1365	94	419	4	1511058

RECAPITULATION.

58,651 feet of covered drains=11 miles, 571 feet.

11,058 feet open ditch.

The drains are in good condition.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL F. BABIDGE,
Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 1, 1903.

Number of permits granted,	49	
Reported September 1, 1902,	316	
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Whole number September 1, 1903,		365

MAINTENANCE.

Inspection and labor,	\$100 00
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ORDINANCE.

SECTION 18, CHAPTER 4, CITY ORDINANCES.

SECT. 18. I. There shall be a board of examiners of plumbers who shall be appointed, and whose duties shall be prescribed by law. Said board shall consist of the number required by law and shall hold their office for one year or until their successors are appointed. Vacancies happening in said board for any reason shall forthwith be filled for the remainder of the term. Whenever any person, firm or corporation registered at the office of said board of examiners as required by law shall change his or its place of business, said person, firm or corporation shall forthwith send to said office a written notice of such change and of his or its new place of business.

II. There shall also be an inspector of plumbing who shall be appointed by the board of mayor and aldermen, shall hold his office for one year or until his successor is appointed and who shall inspect all plumbing work for which permits are granted, in process of construction, alteration or repair, at any and all times, and perform such other duties as are herein or may be hereafter prescribed and required by law or ordinance.

SECT. 19. I. On every street provided with a common sewer, the sewage from each building shall be conducted into the common sewer and no privy vault or cesspool will be permitted on any premises situated on such street unless upon permission of the board of health in writing.

II. No fixture by and through which waste water or sewage is used and carried, shall be placed in any building in the city of Keene, except in accordance with plans which shall be approved by the inspector or such person as said inspector may designate; nor shall any plumbing work be done in said city except in case of repair of leaks without a permit being first issued therefor, as hereinafter provided.

III. The inspector shall issue permits to do plumbing work as herein provided; before any such permit shall be issued, the applicant shall file in the office of said inspector plans and specifications of the plumbing and drainage system wherein the work is proposed to be done, showing in such detail as the inspector shall require the pipes, tanks, faucets, valves and other fixtures intended to be placed in said building, and no permit shall be issued until such plans and specifications shall have been approved by the inspector or by such person as the inspector may designate for that purpose.

Every permit shall be issued and accepted upon the condition that it may be revoked at any time by the inspector; that the firm or corporation to whom the permit is issued shall conform to the statutes of the state and the ordinances and regulations of the city of Keene, and said plans and specifications, and shall indemnify and save harmless the said city of Keene from any damage it may sustain, or be required to pay by reason of doing the work permitted, or by reason of any act or neglect of himself, or any of his employes, relating to such work, or by reason of any violation of any specification in such permit.

No person after receiving a permit shall commence any portion of the work thereby authorized at an earlier date than that named in the application for such permit without first notifying the inspector in writing, and all work shall be done in a thorough, skillful and workmanlike manner. The plan and specification stated in the application shall be approved or rejected within five days of the time of filing, and such plans once approved, shall not be altered except by written permission from the inspector.

Blank specifications will be furnished to architects, plumbers and others, on application at the office of the inspector.

IV. Notification. The plumber in charge of the work shall notify the inspector of plumbing when the main drain, soil, waste or ventilating pipes are in place and before any fixtures are attached, and said plumber shall again notify said inspector when the work is completed and ready for final inspection, and all work must be left uncovered and convenient for examination until inspected and approved by the inspector of plumbing.

No drainage system shall be considered approved until a certificate of approval has been granted by said inspector.

All plumbing work shall be tested in such manner and on such notice as the inspector may order. If the work does not stand the test, and the same is not remedied within ten days, the water shall be turned off by order of the inspector or his agent and not let on again until the plumbing has been pronounced satisfactory by the inspector.

V. Materials. Every soil, waste or ventilating pipe above the ground or inside or under the building shall be of metal. Soil pipe shall be of iron, sound, free from sand holes, of a uniform thickness and four inches in diameter, and waste pipe shall be of iron, lead or brass. The portion of the main drain within the house walls and through to two feet outside the cellar wall, shall be of iron, and shall pass through the walls two inches clear of masonry on the top of both sides, to avoid injury by settlement. Beyond this point it shall be of extra heavy iron pipe or vitrified earthen pipe of suitable size, with a fall of at least one-quarter inch to the foot.

VI. Joints and connections. The inspector shall have authority to make such rules and requirements as he may deem suitable for the materials and manner of construction of all joints, connections with soil or other pipes and changes in the direction of pipes. No saddle hub will be allowed on any plumbing except when permitted by the inspector.

VII. Water closets. Water closet apartments shall be well ventilated and lighted. All water closets shall be furnished with a sufficient supply of water to keep them at all times clean and well flushed, and shall be supplied

from a special tank, which shall not hold less than five gallons of water for each closet which it supplies.

VIII. Traps. Each fixture shall have an effectual trap as close to it as practical and approved by the inspector.

IX. Safes, Overflows and Refrigerators. Waste pipes from safes and refrigerators, and overflow pipes from tanks or cisterns shall empty over sink, trapped gully or otherwise as may be approved, but shall not connect directly with the drainage system. No steam exhaust, blow-off, drip pipe or cellar drain or rain water conductor shall connect with the sewer, or with any house drain soil pipe or waste pipe.

X. Cleanouts. Suitable cleanouts shall be provided on all runs of horizontal pipes, at such intervals as the inspector may order; a cleanout shall be provided in the main drain near the cellar wall by means of a Y branch, said cleanout to be calked with the straight end of the Y branch.

Ventilation. Soil pipes shall be continued full bore up through the roof in as direct line as possible. All branches of ten feet or more in length shall be continued at full size through the roof or be taken into the soil pipe above the highest fixture. Any branch less than four inches in diameter to be carried through the roof, shall, before passing through the roof be enlarged to four inches in diameter. All pipes when carried through the roof shall extend two feet above the roof, and when within fifteen feet of windows or other openings shall extend as high above the top of said windows or opening as the inspector shall require. No cap except a wire basket shall be fixed to the top of a vent pipe.

When ventilation pipes other than the continuations of the soil pipe or branches thereof, are put in, they shall be subject to such rules as the inspector may prescribe, as to their size, material and construction and shall be so constructed as not to allow the formation of a trap and shall not be used as waste pipes. No soil, waste or ventilating pipe, except a local vent pipe, shall be connected with a chimney. No brick, earthenware or sheet metal pipes shall be used for ventilating a soil or waste pipe.

XI. Arrangements. Soil, drain, waste and ventilating pipes shall be concentrated as much as possible, and on the completion of the work shall be left readily accessible and in view as much as possible.

Drain, soil, waste and ventilating pipes should be ex-

posed to view for ready inspection at all times, and for convenience in repairing. When necessarily placed within partitions or recesses in walls, soil or waste pipes shall be covered with woodwork so fashioned with screws as to be readily removed. In no case shall they be absolutely inaccessible. Any house drain put in and covered over without due notice to the inspector must be uncovered for inspection at the request or direction of said inspector.

XII. Workmanship. The whole drainage and plumbing work in buildings, shall be executed by registered or licensed plumbers.

XIII. Lead and cast iron pipes shall be of such weight per foot as the inspector may deem necessary and he may order extra heavy pipe to be used in such places as in his judgment it is required. He shall also make rules for the material, size and number of supports, hangers and clamps for pipes.

XIV. Every kitchen sink of an eating house, hotel, restaurant, or other public cooking establishment, shall have a grease trap placed as near as practicable to the sink and easily accessible for cleaning.

XV. Old house sewers or drains can be used for new houses only when found by an inspector to conform in all respects to the foregoing regulations governing new sewers and drains. All drains now in, as well as soil and waste pipes, shall be reconstructed whenever in the opinion of the inspector it may be necessary.

Cesspools. Every building upon a street or passageway not provided with a public sewer shall be connected, when required by the board of health, with a proper cesspool with a capacity to contain at least seventy-five cubic feet below the inlet pipe, and located at least twenty feet from any building and three feet from adjoining property, and shall be suitably vented, and no cesspool or vault shall be constructed without a permit obtained from the board of health. In such houses the sink shall be provided with a four-inch round trap, where a sink only is used. Where a water closet is used, the plumbing in such house shall conform to the ordinances relating to plumbing in the city of Keene.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL F. BABIDGE,

Inspector.

REPORT OF HIGHWAY COMMISSIONERS.

To His Honor the Mayor and Gentlemen of the City Councils:

The report of the highway department to December 1, 1903, is herewith rendered. The repairs have been pretty general all over the city, as reference to itemized report will show. The largest single job was on Court street, from Portland street to North street, where roadway was filled to grade, stone gutters laid and pipes put in where necessary to take care of the surface water. Portland street also was furnished with stone gutter, and street filled and resurfaced. Woodburn and Linden streets were put in good condition at the same time. A large proportion of the expenditure on Arch street was in filling the hollow just west of the watering trough, and carting on flat between there and Wilson mill. The streets of our city are many of them on such low land that the only way to repair them properly is by carting on gravel, and all of the following mentioned were fixed in this way, viz: Beaver, Baker, Church, Elm, Emerald, George (on the flat), Water, Leverett, Pearl, Probate and School (for expense of each see list).

The repairs on Concord road were plowing and re-grading on the west side of Beech Hill, both below and above old stone crusher plant, work near Frank O. Wright's, plowing and scraping on east side of hill, with general repairs to Sullivan line. The Gilsum road is so worn by heavy teaming from Marlow and Gilsum and the

large amount of timber from Gilsum and Sullivan roads, as to need constant watching and very many repairs. Of the amount used for repairs this year, sixty dollars were expended for filling a short piece at top of Beaver brook falls. On Washington street, eighty-five dollars was used in filling and widening road, repairing sluice and general work at the hollow opposite Giffin street. Wyman Way has required a good deal of filling again this year and is in very good shape now. The macadamizing of Main street has caused a good deal of filling to be done to widen the road and bring it to grade with electric railway track, all of the way from E. H. Fletcher's to Silent Way, and nearly the whole amount charged to Main street has been expended in this way. The work on Church street has been east of Probate and west of Harrison, leaving the flat to be filled, and it needs it badly and will be attended to soon. On Pearl street, eighty-five dollars were used between West street and Railroad, thirty dollars from C. L. Smith's to schoolhouse, all for carting. On Roxbury street, seventy-five dollars were used from Probate street to Donahue's, near reservoir. We have mentioned the work in detail a little more than usual, thinking it might be of interest. The material used has been from the city pasture when not too far removed, but there has been two hundred and eighty dollars paid for sand and gravel bought of outside parties. There were no bad snow storms last winter to contend with, consequently expense in that line was light.

SIDNEY C. ELLIS.

GEORGE H. EAMES.

W. B. FITCH.

Keene, December 1, 1903.

ROAD REPAIRS.

Armory street,	\$9 00
Arch street,	133 50

Appian Way,	\$10 00
Adams street,	24 00
Appleton street,	38 00
Ashuelot street,	5 00
Beaver street,	53 50
Beach Hill, above Octagon reservoir,	9 00
Beach Hill, Middle road,	56 00
Beach Hill, south from H. L. Goodnow's,	30 00
Baker street,	63 00
Church street,	113 00
Concord road,	161 00
Court street, from Portland to North,	494 00
Court street, other places,	138 00
City pasture road,	12 00
Chesterfield road,	53 50
Carpenter street,	17 00
Dunbar court,	13 00
Damon court,	3 00
Douglass street,	27 50
Dover street,	48 00
Elm street,	128 75
East Prospect street,	20 00
Edwards street,	3 00
Emerald street,	88 75
Elliot street,	9 00
Eastern avenue,	20 00
Franklin street,	20 00
Forest street,	34 00
Fowler street,	16 50
Fairview street,	11 00
Foster street,	3 00
Gilsum road,	125 50
Giffin street,	2 00
Gurnsey street,	4 00
Gunn road,	10 50
George street,	36 50
High street,	34 45

Jordan road,	\$7 00
Kelleher street,	18 00
Linden street,	21 00
Leverett street,	57 00
Main street,	157 00
Marlboro street,	22 00
McKinley street,	5 00
Meadow road,	7 00
Mackey road,	18 00
Middle street,	11 00
Marlboro road,	128 00
Nims road,	6 00
North Lincoln street,	4 00
Norway street,	10 00
Oak street,	11 00
Pearl street,	127 00
Park avenue,	33 00
Portland street,	63 00
Perham street,	10 00
Probate street,	52 00
Roxbury street,	106 00
Rule street,	6 00
Russell street,	2 00
Roxbury road,	18 50
Railroad street,	13 50
River street,	3 00
South Keene, Bergeron road,	22 40
South Keene, Graves road,	18 00
Sullivan road,	19 00
Sullivan old road,	4 00
Stearns road,	23 25
Spring street,	23 00
Surry road, west,	33 50
Surry road, east,	47 00
School street,	37 00
Spruce street,	18 50
South street,	36 00

Swanzy Factory road,	\$40 00
Summit road,	59 50
Union street,	6 00
Valley street,	50 00
Vernon street,	4 00
West Hill base road,	4 00
Westmoreland old road,	56 00
West street,	49 00
Winter street,	7 00
Washington street,	187 00
Water street,	147 00
Winchester street,	42 50
Woodlawn street,	65 00
Washington avenue,	7 00
West Hill road,	44 00
Wyman Way,	74 50
Walpole old road,	78 20
Wheelock street,	5 00
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	\$4,203 30

BRIDGES.

Over Branch near Chas. Ellis:

Stone and lumber,	\$27 13
Labor,	63 00
Culvert,	4 00
Culvert, No. Lincoln,	10 00
West street:	
Plank,	35 00
Labor,	10 00
Paint,	13 50
Labor,	26 25
Roxbury street:	
Railing,	3 50

Spring street:	
Plank,	\$12 00
Labor,	2 00
Main street, Beaver brook:	
Plank,	45 00
Stringers,	24 00
Labor,	23 00
Winchester street, near Wilber's,	6 00
White brook bridge:	
Paint,	2 00
Labor,	4 75
Island street:	
Paint,	5 00
Labor,	9 25
George street:	
Labor and paint,	14 50
Marlboro street:	
Plank,	25 00
Labor,	7 00
Meadow road:	
Plank,	25 00
Labor,	7 50
Peg shop:	
Lumber,	15 00
Labor,	21 00
Branch near Marlboro road:	
Lumber,	75 00
Labor,	19 00
Pearl street:	
Railing,	2 00
North Lincoln:	
Railing,	2 00
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	\$515 88
Grain and hay for eight horses,	\$864 85
Insurance on shed and contents, at pasture,	12 75
Trimming trees,	75 00

MACADAM..

Work was commenced at Elliot street on Main, and stone road of not less than forty feet in width built to E. F. Lane's corner, and twenty feet wide from there to Beaver Brook bridge, a total of ninety-three hundred square yards at a cost of twenty-five and a half cents per yard. This is a little more than the cost last year. There has been considerable broken stone and stone dust used this year for repairing macadam and building sidewalks, and no credit has been given, which would probably make about the difference. The steam roller has apparently seen its best days and costs for repairing this season have been quite large. The expense for wood and coal to run crusher and roller have been about the same as last year, and new jaws and plates for crusher have not varied very much and are not given in detail. From Beaver Brook bridge to near city shed a screened gravel road has been constructed about on same plan as macadam, at a cost of eighteen cents per square yard. This price has been made low on account of but little way to draw material. For next season's work the first will be on Mechanic street, and Elm from Mechanic to Vernon. Then it is hoped some system of surface draining can be devised for Central Square, whereby the water from roofs and window washing can be taken care of at the edge of the sidewalks and not be obliged to go top of the ground clear to the catch basins by the common, and when this is done Central Square should be covered with broken stone brought to right grade.

A short piece of road on Marlboro street from Main street to Willow, and Roxbury street needs macadam as soon as it can be done.

SIDNEY E. ELLIS.
GEORGE H. EAMES.
W. B. FITCH.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS.

To His Honor the Mayor and City Councils :

I herewith transmit the following report for the year ending December 1, 1903.

LIST OF PROPERTY BELONGING TO THE CITY OF KEENE.

Eight horses, ten harnesses, four carts, one wagon, two tip carts and harnesses, three sleds, sixteen blankets, fifteen snow plows, two snow rollers, two large and one small roller, one steam roller, four chains, four spread chains, four halters, one snow scraper, two screens, eight whiffletrees, eight fly nets, one Towne macadam scraper, one Champion road scraper, one Climax road scraper, two plows, one hardpan plow, twelve picks, four bog hoes, one lawn mower, twelve shovels, two striking hammers, four face hammers, four bush hooks, eight hoes, eight stone pickers, two hooks, seven iron bars, five saws, four augers, one level, two brush scythes and snaths, one grindstone, six axes, two iron rakes, twenty drills, four dump harrows, twelve stone forks, one derrick, bits and brace, two paving hammers, one ice scraper, six baskets, two ladders, four brushes, four curry combs, one oil can, twelve lanterns, five wrenches, two small hammers, twelve small drills, shims and wedges, one stone boat, six neck yokes, four forks, one vise, one tool box, three sprinkling wagons, two sets fall blocks, 6,000 feet lumber.

The highway department has deposited with the city treasurer the following sums, to wit:

Street sprinkling,	\$960 00
Keeping horses for fire department,	260 00
23 calls to fires,	241 50
Work on hydrants,	10 00
Work for water works, sewer and drain department,	134 90
Work done and material sold,	11 94
Rent of city pasture and sand,	45 60

Very respectfully,

E. A. NIMS,
Superintendent of Streets.

Keene, December 7, 1903.

REPORT OF PARK COMMISSIONER.

To His Honor the Mayor and City Councils:

PARKS.

Balance from last year,	\$2 40
Appropriation,	200 00
Additional appropriation,	100 00
	<hr/> \$302 40
Paid George A. Wheelock, salary, park commissioner,	\$25 00
Sidney E. Ellis, work in parks, etc.,	173 38
W. H. Britton, work with team,	1 00
Carlton E. Thompson, work, etc.,	15 00
Julia F. Hyland, benches,	5 00
C. M. White, buildings,	13 54
Damon C. Twitchell, work in parks,	15 00
	<hr/> \$247 92
Balance to new account,	\$54 48

G. A. WHEELOCK,
Commissioner.

Keene, December 8, 1903.

REPORT OF
CHIEF ENGINEER OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To His Honor the Mayor and City Councils :

During the fiscal year which closed December 1, 1903, there have been seventy-nine fire calls; fifty-four of them being still alarms and twenty-five bell alarms. Sixteen calls, which proved to be the worst fires, occurred in the night. No doubt the extensive use of wood, owing to the coal famine, was in a great measure accountable for the large number of chimney fires, nearly all of which came under the head of still alarms.

There have been more firemen sleeping at headquarters during the past year than in previous years, which has resulted in far better and quicker night service. I think it is safe to say that this feature has tended to lessen the losses. For detailed list of fires, etc., see appended list.

FIRES AND LOSSES FOR YEAR ENDING NOV. 30, 1903.

Date	Hour.	Box	Location.	Owner.	Property.	Estimated Value.	Loss.	Insurance Paid.	Origin.
1902									
Dec. 9	3.30 p.m.	25	Sullivan st.	Castor.	House.	.....	\$10.	\$10.	Chimney
Dec. 27	5.00 p.m.	52	Emerald st.	Imp. Pack. Co.	Dry House.	\$300.	100.	.....	Over-heated stove
1903									
Jan. 8	6.40 a.m.	22	Winchester st.	A. A. Morse.	Barn.	2200.	1600.	1600.	Unknown
Jan. 26	7.10 p.m.	24	Main st.	Lamson Estate.	Stores.	35,000.	585.	585.	Unknown
Feb. 7	3.15 p.m.	28	Douglas st.	Wm. Gilbo.	House.	1500.	675.	475.	Coal gas explosion
" 10	6.05 a.m.	72	Russell st.	Frank Russell.	"	.....	.....	.....	Chimney
" 26	3.00 a.m.	16	Main st.	J. Tierney.	Block.	19,400.	859.79	707.79	Rats nest
" 28	12.00 m.	16	Marlboro st.	Chas. Giffin.	Tenements.	.....	.....	.....	Chimney
Apr. 7	12.30 a.m.	18	Main st.	E. F. Lane.	Block.	70,250.	771.	771.	Spontaneous combustion
" 25	12.08 a.m.	32	North st.	Mike Paterson.	Junk Shop.	500.	10.	.....	Defective stove pipe
May 2	7.00 p.m.	22	Branch Road.	B. & M. R. R.	"	.....	.....	.....	"
" 10	9.00 p.m.	22	Woodbury st.	John Barry.	Brush.	.....	.....	.....	"
" 12	2.30 p.m.	22	West Keene.	C. W. Wyman.	"	.....	.....	.....	"
" 26	4.45 p.m.	22	Walpole road.	J. G. Perry.	"	.....	.....	.....	"
" 31	11.30 p.m.	22	Callir'm W Swan	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
July 3	5.40 p.m.	9	Main st.	Hayward Estate.	Hotel.	10,000.	35.	35.	Fireworks
" 8	11.20 p.m.	53	Madison Ct.	C. M. Trescott.	House.	2300.	850.	680.	Chimney
" 25	11.15 p.m.	9	"	City of Keene.	City Hall.	35,000.	215.	200.	Spontaneous combustion
" 26	8.20 p.m.	9	Central Square.	E. Clark.	Stores.	33,000.	2878.	2679.	Chimney
Aug. 1	8.52 p.m.	13	Railroad st.	C. H. Bridgman.	Store House.	800.	25.	25.	Incendiary
" 26	4.40 p.m.	12	Elm st.	Mrs. Drummer.	House.	.....	.....	.....	Chimney
Oct. 14	10.40 p.m.	16	Applan Way.	Thayer & Collins.	Manufactory.	5000.	1,150.	1,150.	Chimney
" 24	11.55 p.m.	9	Square.	E. Clark.	Stores.	.....	20.	20.	Unknown
" 31	10.20 a.m.	42	Park St.	G. H. Colony.	House.	2,000.	20.	20.	Chimney
Nov. 20	4.15 a.m.	8	Main St.	B. & M. R. R.	Depot.	10,000.	300.	300.	Defective stove pipe

Total estimated value of above property, \$227,250.00. Total loss, \$10,103.79. Insurance paid, \$9,317.79.

Total number of alarms, 79. Total number of still alarms, 54. Total number bell alarms, 25. Total number steam and two by chimneys.

Month of January, 1902—Four still alarms, one caused by gasoline engine, one by steam and two by chimneys.

Month of February—Six still alarms, one incendiary, one, children playing with matches, six chimneys.

Month of March—Nine still alarms, all chimneys.

Month of April—Five still alarms, one oil stove explosion, one call from out of town, three chimneys.

Month of May—Ten still alarms, one oil stove explosion, one caused by locomotive sparks, eight chimneys.

Month of June—One still alarm caused by chimney.

Month of July—Two still alarms, one police call for bonfire, one chimney.

Month of August—Two still alarms, one chimney, one false.

Month of September—One still alarm.

Month of October—Four still alarms, one kerosene heater, one grease in oven, two chimneys.

Eleven hundred (1100) feet of new hose has been purchased, making the total amount now on hand 6,300 feet. Attention has been called in my previous reports to better ways for caring for hose with a view to increasing its duration of wear. If we are to get all there is out of hose, it must have proper care and this we are, at times, unable to give it, as the present facilities are entirely insufficient to dry wet hose. At a comparatively small outlay, the towers can be so arranged as to accommodate nearly double the amount of hose they do at present. Several times during the past years, a number of days have elapsed before wet hose could be strung up and we have had also to resort to drying in the open air, which has not proved very successful.

There is no doubt but what hose can be made to last longer than it does, if we have the facilities to care for it as it should be. I wish to lay especial stress upon this issue as it is very doubtful economy to allow property to go to ruin from lack of care. Two (2) new pipes, fitted with shut-off nozzles, have been added to the equipment, also, rubber coats, hats, and boots. Ladder truck No. 1 has been newly painted and alterations made on the running board. Both hose wagons need touching up and re-varnishing.

I would call your attention to the advisability of a fire alarm box being placed on outside of fire station. This subject has been brought to my notice many times, both as to occasions when we have needed it, and by citizens expressing themselves as believing it would be a wise thing to do. The five-gallon extinguishers now in use are very difficult to use in many instances, and I would ask that you consider the advisability of procuring some smaller ones, also a cellar pipe. The cellar pipe has been demonstrated to be one of the most useful pieces of apparatus in the department. We have only one, but with the liability of its being crippled, together with the probability of an occasion arising, when we may need more than one, leads

me to feel that another should be bought. There is a strong feeling in the department, as well as outside, that the merits of a combination chemical and hose wagon should be investigated. I am free to say that there is much in favor of these machines, and am sure if the matter was thoroughly looked into you would find much to warrant the purchasing of one for the department.

In concluding my report, I take this opportunity to thank my assistants and the members of this department for their support and faithfulness; also to extend to your body, my assurance of my fullest appreciation of your interest in the department's welfare, which has been so manifest.

Yours respectfully,

December 1, 1903.

F. W. TOWNE,
Chief Keene Fire-Department.

INVENTORY OF PROPERTY.

Steamer Button No. 2, steamer Amoskeag No. 1, one hand engine, Deluge hose wagon, steamer hose wagon, two hook and ladder trucks, two jumpers, 6,300 feet hose, six Babcock extinguishers, four engineers' lanterns, two hydrant gates, two Y couplings, one Siamese coupling, one cellar pipe, six ladder dogs, uniforms, rubber coats and rubber boots for Steamer Co., uniforms, rubber coats and rubber boots for Hook and Ladder Co., uniforms, rubber coats and rubber boots for Deluge Hose Co., one sled for Hook and Ladder Co., one sled for Steamer Hose Co., one sled for Deluge Hose Co., new, four sets swing harnesses.

FIRE ALARM TELEGRAPH.

Location of boxes and instructions to firemen and officers:

- Box 22. Central Telephone office.
- Box 8. Main street, corner Railroad street.
- Box 9. Central Square, on city hall.
- Box 13. Beaver Mills office.
- Box 14. Water street, corner Grove street.
- Box 15. Water street, corner South Lincoln street.
- Box 16. Main street, corner Marlboro street.
- Box 17. Main street, corner Baker street.
- Box 18. Marlboro street, corner Kelleher street.
- Box 19. Lower Marlboro street.
- Box 23. Roxbury street, corner Beech street.
- Box 24. Beaver street, corner Dover street.
- Box 25. Washington street, near Giffin's mill.
- Box 26. Spring street, corner Brook street.
- Box 32. Elm street, corner High street.
- Box 33. Washington street, corner Gilsum street.
- Box 35. Court street, corner Prospect street.
- Box 37. Mechanic street, corner Pleasant street.
- Box 42. West street, corner School street.
- Box 43. West street, corner Ashuelot street.
- Box 46. Court street, corner School street.
- Box 52. Emerald street, corner Ralston street.
- Box 53. Winchester street, corner Island street.
- Box 65. South Keene.
- Box 72. West Keene.
- 12. Military call.

SIGNALS.

The following signals were adopted by the board of engineers, December 2, 1887, and are still in force.

1. The superintendent has the right to strike one blow upon the bells at any time, to test the circuit; also to ring in one round from any box, preceded by a single blow, exactly five minutes after the noon stroke, on Saturdays, for the purpose of testing the boxes.

2. The signal 22 repeated on the bells is to call the firemen to their houses for further orders.

3. Two blows struck upon the bells after a fire alarm is a signal to "limber up," and recalls all firemen and apparatus to the engine houses, unless especially detailed for duty.

4. In case of a serious fire the engineers may cause a second alarm to be sounded from the nearest box. A second alarm is given by striking ten blows, followed by the box number.

5. As box 9, which is located on city hall, is still likely to be used for a general alarm, and to be pulled for a fire which is not in or near the square, the engineers will ring in a second alarm or four full rounds from this box, if there is a fire of any magnitude near the square.

6. The old alarm on city hall will only be rung between 9 p. m. and 6 a. m., except in case of serious fire.

7. Arrangements have been made with the Beaver Mills Co., and alarms of fire will be given on their whistle same as by the bells.

GENERAL RULES.

Firemen as well as citizens should familiarize themselves with the following rules for giving alarms of fire.

1. Never pull a box for a fire seen at a distance.

2. Never pull a box while the alarm bells are ringing, nor until a box has completed its four rounds. Two boxes cannot operate together and neither will work if two are pulled at the same time. Never pull two alarms or two boxes for the same fire. The engineers will sound second alarms if necessary.

3. To ring in an alarm, break the glass in the key box and open the outside door with the key. Pull down the brass crank, seen inside, *till it stops*, then let go. Then let the box alone. The clock will be seen or heard to be running, and the alarm will follow in half a minute or so. Close the box and remove the key.

Remember that the firemen will come directly to the box which has been pulled, and be sure that someone stays at the box to direct them to the fire.

TELEPHONE ALARMS.

Box 22, which is located in the central telephone office, is the box which will be pulled to sound all alarms of fire sent in by telephone. When this box is pulled, firemen and all others can ascertain the location of the fire from the telephone office.

Do not send a telephone alarm if there is an alarm box within reasonable distance. Box alarms are always the surest and best. Telephones can seldom be used during thunder showers; the boxes can always be used.

To send in a telephone alarm, call the central office. Tell the operator slowly, first, the ward, then the street and house where the fire is situated. The operator will repeat, "Fire, ward so and so, such street or house." Answer, "all right," if you are correctly understood. If the fire is in South Keene or West Keene, give the fact instead of the ward number. The operator will then leave the telephone and sound the alarm.

REPORT OF
SUPERINTENDENT OF FIRE ALARMS.

To His Honor the Mayor and Gentlemen of the City Councils :

The general condition of the fire alarm telegraph system is good. A new box has been placed at the corner of Spring and Brook streets and numbered 26. The system comprises 20 miles of wire, 29 pairs of magnets, a battery of 150 cells, 26 fire alarm boxes, 2 public alarm bells, and numerous private call bells for firemen.

The private alarm system, which was accepted by the city last year, had an independent device attached to the alarm in the Second Church tower, which has been removed, the point of contact being now in the battery room under city hall, lessening the possibility of a failure to notify those on this circuit of an alarm, in case the Second Church bell does not strike.

For the public convenience and safety, all wires should be removed from private lots and buildings and run along the highways upon the telegraph poles, and I respectfully call the attention of the city councils to this matter.

JOSEPH F. EMMONS,
Superintendent Fire Alarm Telegraph.
Keene, December 7, 1903.

REPORT OF
TRUSTEES OF KEENE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen :

The trustees of the public library submit the following report :

It being very difficult to find a competent person to continue the work of recataloguing, and to fill the position of librarian temporarily, it was not until March that one could be secured.

Miss Carrie E. Read from April first to November first discharged the duties of the position conscientiously and most acceptably to the public, and it was with sincere regret the trustees received notice of her acceptance of the position of librarian at Barre, Mass. Since then, until December first, with the exception of a few days the first week in November, when the library was closed, it has been in charge of two of the assistants.

As Miss Southworth's health had not improved sufficiently to resume her duties November first, she tendered her resignation. The trustees regretted exceedingly to accept it, but realizing the necessity of a permanent librarian, they engaged Miss Maud E. Bloomingdale of Syracuse, N. Y., as librarian from December first. She comes with high recommendations and the trustees look forward to an improved condition, and hope after these past two years of trying circumstances the library work will run smoothly.

In July the board of trustees lost an esteemed and valued member by the death of Hon. A. T. Batchelder, one of the six permanent trustees appointed by Mr. E. C.

Thayer. In accordance with the terms of the gift of Mr. Thayer, "That any vacancy in the number of permanent trustees be filled by the remaining permanent trustees"—Mr. Frederick H. Kingsbury was elected to fill the vacancy and accepted.

During the year the library has received gifts of books from Dr. J. W. Barstow, Mrs. B. D. Harris, and from the executive committee of the Ladies' Park association a map of the Ladies' Park, with the names of the donors enrolled thereon, executed by Mr. Samuel Wadsworth.

There have been many new books added, but owing to their not being catalogued, they have not been given to the public as soon as usual. As there is such constant demand for the latest publications, the trustees are fully aware of this inconvenience thus caused, and earnestly hope the public will appreciate the difficulties under which the library has struggled this last year.

The exhibitions of pictures by the Library Art Club have been varied and interesting, especially those of English cathedrals, in relation to which Dr. T. W. Harris gave an interesting talk.

MARY A. A. PRENTISS,
Secretary.

Keene, December 5, 1903.

STATISTICS FOR YEAR DEC. 1, 1902—DEC. 1, 1903.

Number of volumes, December 1, 1902, .	11,986
Number of volumes, added by purchase,	204
Number of volumes, added by gift,	51
Number of volumes, added by binding periodicals,	28
Total number of additions, fiction 135, miscellaneous 148,	283

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Number of volumes lost and discarded,	21	
Net additions,		262
Total number of volumes, December 1, 1903,		12,248
Number of volumes rebound,		90
Number of cards issued to borrowers,		232
Largest number of volumes issued in one month, January 1903,		2,855
Largest number of volumes delivered in one day, December 6, 1902,		230
Least number of volumes delivered in one day, July 29,		33
Average number of volumes delivered per day,		99 7-10
Number of volumes issued during year, fiction,	21,432	
Number of volumes issued during year, miscellaneous,	6,245	
Total circulation,		27,628
Total circulation last year,		29,593
Decrease in circulation this year,		1,965

REPORT OF CITY CLERK.

To His Honor the Mayor and Gentlemen of the City Councils :

I herewith submit the following report of my receipts from December 1, 1902, to December 1, 1903:

Rent of stores, Perry place, lands and reservoir,	\$1,384 40
Dog license fees,	1,012 66
House numbers sold,	1 70
Concrete assessments,	51 15
Licenses,	290 00
Cemetery funds,	950 00
Library fines,	77 00
Book cases sold,	9 00
Rent city pasture,	40 00
Rent Fairfield pasture,	15 00
Error on voucher No. 34,	34
Dividend, superintendent cemeteries,	130 97
Dividend, Spaulding account,	7 95
Dividend, Catherine Riordon account,	4 59
Town of Winchester, coal sold,	20 00
Police supplies sold,	20
Telephone toll collected,	20
Bronze sold,	1 25
Sand sold,	5 60
Insurance for fire loss,	200 00
Collected for decorations on city hall,	10 00
Cemetery lot,	50 00
Ash Swamp ditch,	14 85
Street sprinkling,	960 00
	\$5,236 86

All of which I deposited with the city treasurer, and for which I hold his receipts.

FRANK H. WHITCOMB,

Keene, December 7, 1903.

City Clerk.

REPORT OF CITY MESSENGER.

To His Honor the Mayor and Gentlemen of the City Councils:

The interior of the city hall has been repaired and re-tinted and is in very satisfactory condition for public entertainments, except that the old settees are not in keeping with its otherwise good general appearance. The scenery connected with the stage has been renewed and such pieces as found necessary have been added to the sets.

Electric lights have been installed, the old gas chandeliers dispensed with, the light from which interfered with the vision of the audience in the balcony and was a constant annoyance during the progress of plays. The permanent fixtures of the stage have been renovated and, having been raised to the roof, permit of the introduction of standard scenery carried by traveling companies, as well as the arrangement of the scenery recently purchased.

During very cold weather an audience cannot be made comfortable during the early portion of the day if the curtain is to be raised and the stage occupied by speakers. Now that the gas jets have been removed the radiating surface in use is not adequate to heat the hall and I recommend that arrangements be made to heat the stage; that the radiating surface in the audience room be increased, if necessary, and that the return system of the heating apparatus be remodeled.

I have received for rent of city hall, from December 1, 1902 to December 1, 1903, the sum of \$1,555.50, which I deposited with the city treasurer and for which I hold his receipts, as reported to the board of Mayor and Aldermen.

JOSEPH F. EMMONS,

City Messenger.

Keene, December 7, 1903.

REPORT OF OVERSEER OF POOR.

To His Honor the Mayor and Gentlemen of the City Councils :

I herewith present the annual report for the year ending December 1, 1903. During the past year I have furnished aid to the county poor as follows:

Mrs. Esther Whitcomb,	\$78 20
Mrs. Jerry Donovan,	21 90
Mrs. Mary Crouch,	60 00
Mrs. Daniel Kelleher,	152 63
Mrs. Mary O'Neil,	48 00
J. E. Moore,	40 00
Daniel Gilbo,	25 55
Mrs. M. Champaigne,	72 00
Isaac Champaigne,	10 28
Mrs. Hattie Hastings,	96 00
Mrs. Burton Towne,	107 53
Mrs. Frank Burcham,	67 94
Mrs. L. Seavey,	60 00
Mrs. Lewis Castor,	11 37
Mrs. Oliver Boyea,	24 98
Mrs. George Seward,	72 00
Mrs. Lucy Hopkins,	19 00
Miss E. W. Hadley,	26 14
Charles Castor,	11 37
Mrs. George Clasby,	77 50
Miss C. B. Hastings,	96 00
Mrs. Annie Erickson,	80 04

Mrs. Martha Griffith,	69 00
Mrs. N. A. Rice,	69 00
Mrs. Mary Bigelow,	78 20
Miss Nellie Mahar,	78 20
Mrs. Margaret Southwick,	40 00
Mrs. Abner Sprague,	180 00
Mrs. Ella King,	96 00
Mrs. Charles Britton,	66 00
Miss Ida Pierce,	78 20
Sullivan children,	192 00
Antoine Lawsure,	58 00
Charles Moline,	5 00
Dennis O'Connor,	5 00
Timothy Curran,	24 00
Mrs. Arbella Robinson,	78 00
Mrs. Kate Donovan,	60 00
Mrs. Isabel Carney,	198 26
Mrs. Henrietta Pierce,	28 25
Patrick Hickey,	48 00
Mrs. Charles Burns,	15 00
Mrs. Mark Barron,	32 00
James Corey,	6 38
Charles Parkhurst,	9 00
Daniel Nash,	12 00
Mrs. Ella Hatch,	49 88
—Joslin,	12 67
Charles Nepolitan,	19 09
Emerson Davis,	1 25
John Carter,	14 04
Cyrus Bliss,	4 58
William Bezio,	12 79
William Ross,	33 37
Clyde Rheaume,	19 07
James Fox,	12 58
John Driscoll,	11 43
Mrs. Mary Ames,	4 58
Mrs Mary Bigelow 2d,	90 29

George Ray,	15 37
Ludwig Towalski,	97 15
Alfred Keating,	10 30
Rose Howard,	8 00
Mrs. Ellen Severson,	9 15
B. Newell,	3 00
John O'Mara,	12 59
E. W. Newell,	18 00
Bert Magnerson,	43 50
Mrs. Mary Glynn,	18 00

\$3,340 46

AID TO DEPENDENT SOLDIERS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

Edward Baker,	\$155 00
Mrs. John L. Britton,	72 00
Thomas N. Woodward,	96 00
Mrs. N. J. Barlow,	60 00
A. A. Blanchard,	24 00
Charles Hinds,	5 75
Mrs. Mary Pelkey,	60 00
Charles Sebastian,	98 00
D. C. Parker,	18 00

\$588 75

CITY PAUPERS.

Mrs. S. S. Judd,	132 00
Abel Baker,	130 00
Frank Tully,	110 30
Mrs. Annie Brown,	214 53
Mrs. William I. Wood,	78 00
Sumner A. Baker,	121 35
Mrs. Emily Blanchard,	120 00

Mrs. Nellie Lee,	\$24 00
Lewis Banyea,	225 48
Eugene Hemphill,	137 50
Michael O'Donnell,	70 00
Mrs. Ellen Hanley,	106 00
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	\$1,469 16
W. H. Spalter, stationery,	\$1 30

In the amount expended for city paupers, \$1,019.81 is for paupers in institutions outside of the city.

E. H. FLETCHER,
Overseer of Poor.

REPORT OF CITY PHYSICIAN.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Councils:

During the past year I have treated among the city's poor, the following cases:

One each of abscess (of cheek), cancer (breast), coryza dysentery, erysipelas, intercostal neuralgia, pleurisy, pneumonia, scarlet fever, tonsillitis. Two each of indigestion (acute), la grippe.

There has been 90 house calls and 16 office calls made during the year

Three cases have been attended at the police station. One being insanity and two of acute alcoholism.

No deaths have occurred during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN D. PROCTOR, M. D.,
City Physician.

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

To the City Councils of Keene.

During the past year we have attended to such complaints as have been made to us and requiring our attention, and have disposed of the same in such a way as seemed proper and right.

There have been reported eight cases of scarlet fever, two cases of diphtheria and four cases of typhoid fever, all light cases and all recovered; also there were reported twenty-five cases of measles, and no deaths from any case reported.

Aside from these cases there has been no matter brought to our attention of public interest.

H. K. FAULKNER,
L. WELLINGTON,
C. G. SHEDD,
Board of Health.

Keene, December 1, 1903.

REPORT OF
BOARD OF EXAMINING PLUMBERS.

To the City Councils of Keene :

During the past year we have issued two licenses for plumbers, and have renewed one, and have received for the city the sum of \$2.50, which amount we have paid the city treasurer.

H. K. FAULKNER,
L. WELLINGTON,
D. W. MITCHELL,

Board of Examining Plumbers.

Keene, December 1, 1903.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF CEMETERIES.

To His Honor the Mayor and Gentlemen of the City Councils:

The undersigned herewith respectfully presents his report for the year ending November 30, 1903.

The most notable improvement for the year in this department has been the introduction of the much needed water supply in the northeast division of Woodland, some two thousand or more feet of pipe having been laid, stand pipes with faucets being placed where they would accommodate the largest number of lot owners, who have expressed much satisfaction at the result.

A considerable number of lots have been laid out, several of which have been sold, many lots graded, etc., as a further result of this improvement.

The old wooden foot bridge between Woodland and Greenlawn which had become unsafe has been replaced by a substantial iron one resting on new stone abutments.

The work last year inaugurated of establishing records of burials, location of graves, and making of charts has been completed in Woodland. This important work is now being carried on in Greenlawn and Washington street cemeteries.

Through the patriotism and generosity of Ashuelot Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, the stone wall in front of the last named cemetery has been straightened and repointed, thereby greatly improving its appearance.

It is with much gratification that I am able to report a gradual increase in the number of lot owners who have their lot given special care, as every lot so cared for adds to the beauty of our cemeteries.

The coming year it will be essential to renew the fences of the Washington street and West cemeteries, and the driveways of Greenlawn and Woodland will call for special attention along the line of resurfacing and in some instances remaking.

My receipts for the year are as follows:

Dec. 1902.	Sexton work, \$18.00, labor, \$2.50, loam, .50, fertilizer, .50, care of lots, \$111.00, collected on lots sold, \$110.00, crushed stone, .50,	\$243 00
Jan. 1903.	Sexton work, \$12.00, labor, \$2.50, hauling leaves, \$1.50, care of lots, \$96.00, collected on lots sold, \$45.00, fertilizer, .50, grass seed, \$1.00, crushed stone, \$1.00,	159 50
Feb.	Sexton work, \$36.00, labor, \$3.00, loam, \$1.50, fertilizer, .50, care of lots, \$54.00, collected on lots sold, \$87.00,	182 00
Mar.	Sexton work, \$29.50, care of lots, \$28.00, collected on lots sold, \$80.00,	137 50
Apr.	Sexton work, \$54.00, labor, \$13.25, loam, \$5.00, fertilizer, \$1.00, grass seed, \$1.75, crushed stone, .75, sods, \$1.00, care of lots, \$25.00, collected on lots sold, \$92.00, dividend Cheshire Provident Institution, \$2.94,	196 69
May.	Sexton work, \$49.50, labor, \$17.00, loam, \$10.00, care of lots, \$38.00, collected on lots sold, \$134.00, fertilizer, \$1.50, use of burial device, \$3.00,	253 00
June.	Sexton work, \$34.00, labor, \$14.75,	

loam, \$9.50, care of lots, \$20.00, fertilizer, \$2.75, grass seed, \$1.75, crushed stone, \$1.50, sods, \$1.00, collected on lots sold, \$135.00,	220 25
July. Sexton work, \$30.00, labor, \$10.75, loam, \$7.75, fertilizer, \$1.50, care of lots, \$3.00, crushed stone, .25, grass seed, \$1.00, collected on lots sold, \$155.00,	209 25
Aug. Sexton work, \$18.00, labor, \$2.50, loam, \$1.50, care of lots, \$7.00, collected on lots sold, \$90.00,	119 00
Sept. Sexton work, \$31.00, labor, \$5.25, loam, \$1.25, stone, .50, collected on lots sold, \$155.00,	193 00
Oct. Sexton work, \$17.00, labor, \$27.45, loam, \$15.25, grass seed, \$3.00, fertilizer, \$5.25, sods, \$3.50, care of lots, \$12.00, collected on lots sold, \$134.00,	217 45
Nov. Sexton work, \$25.00, labor, \$34.50, loam, \$20.00, fertilizer, \$4.50, grass seed, \$2.00, sods, \$2.00, care of lots, \$10.00, cement, \$5.00,	103 00
Total,	<hr/> \$2,233 64

All of which I have deposited with the city treasurer, and hold his receipts for the same.

WALTER E. MASON,
Superintendent.

Keene, December 1, 1903.

REPORT OF CITY SOLICITOR.

To the City Councils:

During the last year the city has been involved in a very small amount of litigation. There is at present pending one suit brought by Fred J. Cummings, as an appeal from the damages assessed by the board of mayor and aldermen in laying out a highway across his land on the Woodburn street extension. The report of the justice of the police court shows the criminal cases in which the city has been interested.

JOHN E. ALLEN,
City Solicitor.

Keene, December 5, 1903.

REPORT OF CITY MARSHAL.

To the Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen:

I respectfully submit the following report of the police department for the year ending December 1, 1903.

There have been 312 persons arrested for offenses as follows:

Drunkenness,	266
Assault,	9
Larceny,	5
Insane,	2
Resisting officer,	2
Common drunkard,	1
Vulgar and obscene language,	3
Adultery,	2
Getting money under false pretense,	1
Disturbing the peace,	3
Trespass with intent to steal,	1
Detained for other officers,	4
Embezzlement,	1
Obstructing sidewalk,	1
Evading car fare,	2
Non-payment of fine,	3
Non-support of family,	1
Flimflam game,	1
Keeping disorderly house,	2
Employing child labor,	1
Stubborn child,	1
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Miscellaneous :

Bicycles left out after hours and cared for,	69
Lights left burning by mistake and reported,	25
Number of lights reported out of order,	4
Places having no lights at night where lights are usually kept, reported,	7
Runaway teams stopped by officers,	3
Lost children returned to parents,	8
Accidents attended to by officers,	5
Fires put out by officers,	0
Places reported to chief of fire department,	3
Value of goods left out,	\$21 25
Value of lost property recovered,	\$35 00
Value of stolen property recovered,	\$245 00
Number of dangerous dogs killed,	14
Number of persons given lodgings,	379
Doors found unfastened at night,	165
Dead bodies of persons found and prop- erly cared for,	2
Fire alarms pulled by officers,	2
Stray teams taken care of,	3

Pursuant to Section 2, Chapter XX, City Ordinances, the marshal has investigated 21 complaints against habitual truants made by teachers and reported to superintendent of schools, but no complaints have been prosecuted by his direction. In accordance with the provisions of Chapter LX, Laws of '91, the marshal has collected 104 delinquent dog license fees, or reported the animal dead or gone from the city. No suits had to be entered, but by request, several dogs were killed.

Received of private parties for police work and
deposited with city treasurer, \$41 20
Respectfully,

LESTER K. STILES,
City Marshal.

Keene, December 5, 1903.

REPORT OF JUSTICE OF POLICE COURT.

To the Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen :

The justice of the police court submits the following report for the year ending December 1, 1903.

Number of civil cases entered, 12; number of complaints entered, 431; for the following offences, to wit:

Adultery,	2
Assaults,	10
Assaults with intent to kill,	3
Being drunk,	273
Being stubborn child,	2
Being idle and disorderly person,	2
Being common drunkard,	1
Being father of bastard child,	1
Breaking and entering,	1
Evading car fare,	1
Failing to send child to school,	1
Embezzlement,	1
Keeping disorderly house,	3
Obstructing officer,	3
Larceny,	9
Murder,	1
Neglecting employment and failing to provide support for himself and family,	1
Using obscene and indecent language,	1
Violating liquor law,	111
Violating law relative to employment of minors,	1

Wrongfully removing monument from cemetery,	1
Refusing to move on when requested by police officer,	1
To find sureties of the peace,	1
These complaints were disposed of as follows:	
Persons not prosecuted to judgment,	34
Sentenced to jail,	11
Sentenced to house of correction at Westmoreland,	16
Tried and acquitted,	5
Held to answer to superior court,	27
Discharged on payment of costs,	7
Who paid fines,	199
Committed for non-payment of fines,	100
Committed for want of bail,	6
Who appealed to superior court,	4
Sent to industrial school,	1
Discharged on account of mental incapacity,	1
Cases in which sentence was suspended,	18
Amount of fines paid to justice,	\$3,203 00
Amount of fines deposited by justice,	\$3,203 00

L. W. HOLMES,
Justice.

Keene, December 1, 1903.

REPORT OF LIQUOR AGENT.

To the Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen:

I herewith submit the following report as liquor agent, from December 1, 1902 to March 1, 1903.

Stock on hand December 1, subject to leakage and evaporation:

24 $\frac{5}{8}$ gals. whiskey,	\$66 00
9 5-16 gals. alcohol,	27 30
1 3-100 gals. Holland gin,	3 80
2 3-16 gals. cider brandy,	7 62
3 7-32 gals. Cal. brandy,	16 10
Sherry wine,	2 34
2 15-32 gals. port wine,	4 40
27 bottles porter, (pts),	4 06
7 bottles brandy,	10 29
Cherry rum,	2 12
3 lager cases,	4 50
7 demijohns,	11 78
2 barrels,	2 50
1 keg,	88
2 jugs,	60
3 jugs and boxes,	3 15
8 5-pint bottles,	1 00
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AMOUNT OF SALES.

6 11-16 gals. alcohol,	\$25 94
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BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE CITY OF KEENE, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 1903.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child (if any).	Sex and Condition.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
		Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.							
Sept 23	Madeline Catherine	F	L	Wm. F. Brockway	Nellie E. Knapp	Painter	Hinsdale	Hinsdale	83	30
" 25	Golday May	F	L	Henry A. Pragent	Lizzie Esro	Laborer	Brainerdville, Vt.	New York	30	25
" 29	Muriel Viola	F	L	Leroy A. Piper	Mary Gilmore	Painter	Wellstown, N. Y.	Swanzy	20	24
" 30	Bernard Carigan	M	L	Charles Finn	Elizabeth Carigan	Motorman	Winchendon, Ms.	Keene	33	33
" 30	Francis Edward	M	L	Francis Fortier	Ellen A. Magee	Box maker	Canada	Ireland	25	23
" 26	Marie Laura Eva	F	L	Frank Grimaud	Arzelle LeRoux	Laborer	Canada	Canada	44	30
Oct. 2	Mary Ellen	M	S	Charles Gearing	Ada L. Ashendon	Salvation Army	England	England	40	40
" 2	Mary Raymond	M	L	James Higgins	Maggie Daley	Railroad hand	Keene	Ireland	31	27
" 3	Edward Charles	M	L	R. Hardy Beals	Edith S. Beals	Carpenter	Nova Scotia	Nova Scotia	32	29
" 6	Madeline Catherine	M	L	Martin H. Sullivan	Katie Gilbo	Barber	Keene	Liberty, N. Y.	31	31
" 11	Gertrude Vera	F	L	Harry W. Robbins	Lilla L. Curtis	Farmer	Sullivan	Westmoreland	24	21
" 11	Elwin Joseph	F	L	Philip Bowen	Elizabeth G. Bolio	Shoemaker	Montreal, P. Q.	Burlington, Vt.	38	34
" 13	Nathan Whitcomb	M	L	Lawrence E. Gilbo	Emma Boivier	Steam fitter	Boston Cr. N. Y.	Keene	32	31
" 13	Grace Evelyn	M	L	Adwin A. Ellis	Fannie Whitcomb	Clerk	Harwich, Ms.	Keene	28	22
" 13	Harriet Ann	F	L	Albert F. Marsh	Cora E. Parker	Teamster	Walpole	Harrisville	37	28
" 14	Edward	M	L	Medos Corey	Malvina Durant	Weaver	Canada	Harrisville	24	17
" 15	Joseph F. Lio	M	L	Charles H. Castor	Mary Fredenburg	Box maker	New York State	New York	23	23
" 15	Doris Elizabeth	M	L	Patrick L. Donovan	Clara N. Doine	Laborer	Ireland	Ireland	47	47
" 24	David Henry	M	L	Joseph B. Gregoire	Mary R. Smith	Carpenter	Harrisville	Canada	30	26
" 25	Marie Exilina M.	F	L	Horace W. Bond	Sophie Amlaw	Railroad helper	Tonawanda, N. Y.	Waterloo, Ca.	46	38
" 29	Linnie Merie	F	L	Millard Germain	Albina LeRoux	Laborer	Dannemora, N. Y.	Dannemora, N. Y.	24	22
" 30	Nellie	F	L	Edward Boivert	Edith Bruce	Laborer	Keene	Canada	30	31
Nov. 5	Francis Sydney	M	L	Geo. L. Mack	Mary Trubbiano	Railroad helper	Keene	Sullivan	28	23
" 12	Charles Andrew	M	L	Louis Papill	Emma P. Adams	Laborer	Italy	Italy	29	23
" 12		M	L	Frank W. Wellington	Elizabeth Avery	Laborer	Wallingford, Vt.	Xenia, Ohio	27	28
" 12		M	L	Frank W. Wellington	Elizabeth Avery	Laborer	"	Keene	35	30
" 28		F	L	Wm. O. Davis	Mary D. Cady	Laborer	"	Keene	35	30
1883.		M	L	Charles Millien	Lucie Joly	Laborer	Gilsom	Alstead	39	29
July 19	Charles Andrew	M	L	Charles Millien	Lucie Joly	Laborer	Gilsom	Alstead	39	29

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE CITY OF KEENE, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 1903.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in years.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	* Condition.	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
1902. Dec. 2	Keene	Orrin A. Ellis	Keene,	25	Farmer	Keene	Ira A. Ellis	Keene	1st	Rev. J. Walther Keene
" 3	"	Sarah E. Wright	"	41	At home	"	Sylvia Barnes Geo. K. Wright	Gilsum Keene	1st	
" 8	"	Phineas Gline	"	40	Mechanic	Westmoreland	Nancy Leonard Willard R. Gline	Westmoreland Surry	2d	Rev. J. Walther Keene
" 10	"	Jessie Brown	Spofford	31	At home [Painter	Perth, Scotland	Lucy Brown Alexander Wilson	Westmoreland Methven, Scot.	2d	
" 17	"	William C. Reason	Keene	39	Carriage	Keene	Jessie Brown James Reason	Wross, Scot. Ireland	1st	Rev. D. A. Ryan Keene
" 17	"	Bridget M. Curtin	"	28	Domestic	Ireland	Eliz. Constantine Daniel Curtin	Vermont Ireland	1st	
" 17	"	Marcus E. Bowles	"	47	Pail turner	Swanzy	Mary Curtin Sanford Bowles	" Landaff	2d	Rev. E. P. Drew Keene
" 22	Concord	Mary J. Southwell	"	48	Housekeeper	Nelson	Sylvia S. Starkey Orrel P. Atwood	Marlboro Nelson	2d	
" 24	"	Francis C. Neaves	"	19	Chair maker	Nova Scotia	Sarah Weston William Neaves	Antrim Nova Scotia	1st	Rev. A. Wheeler Keene
" 24	"	Mary Kothe	"	20	Shoe maker	[Ct. Thompsonville,	Mary A. Sabon William Kothe	" Mehringen, Ger.	1st	
" 24	"	John Donald Proctor	"	34	Physician	Montreal, Ca.	Theresa Leibel Peter K. Proctor	Baden, Ger. New Sharon, Me	1st	Rev. G. H. Reed Concord
" 24	"	Mabel P. Bunker	Concord	34		Concord	Theresa L. Holmes Andrew Bunker	Leeds, Eng. Barnstead	1st	
" 24	"	Joseph McNamara	Newton, Ms.	21	Metal worker	Boston, Ms.	Mar'n P'nderg'st Jere. McNamara	" Newton, Ms.	1st	[J. P. F. H. Whitcomb Keene
" 24	"	Addie W. Hutchingson	Walham, Ms	29	Jeweling	W. New Portl'd, Me	Mary Keefe Hiram V. Winter	New Haven, Ct. New Portl'd, Me	2d	
" 24	"	Frank L. Pond	Keene	37	Jeweler	Keene	Mira Granger Albert E. Pond	Wisconsin Keene	2d	Rev. H. Billman Keene
" 24	"	Rose May Allen	"	30	Cook	Londonberry,	Eliza A. Stone Geo. W. Shattuck	Hubb'drd'st'n Ms Weston, Vt.	2d	

* Whether single or widowed. What marriage—whether 1st, 2d, etc.

3 10-16 gals. whiskey,	\$23 62	
1-16 gal. Cal. brandy,	50	
2-16 gals. cider brandy,	75	
9-16 gals. Holland gin,	3 19	
11-32 gals. port wine,	2 63	
1-16 gal. sherry wine,	25	
3-32 gals. cherry rum,	38	
3-16 gal. rum,	75	
3 bottles porter,	60	
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		\$58 61
Balance cash December 1, 1902,		93 86
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		\$152 47
Deposited,		\$152 47

STOCK ON HAND MARCH 1, 1903.

Subject to leakage and evaporation.

21 gals. whiskey,	\$57 75
47-100 gals. Holland gin,	1 65
2 1-16 gals. cider brandy,	7 22
3 5-32 gals. Cal. brandy,	15 79
Sherry wine,	2 09
2 1-8 gals. port wine,	6 37
24 bottles porter,	3 60
7 bottles brandy,	10 29
Cherry rum,	1 75
3 lager cases,	4 50
7 demijohns,	11 78
2 barrels,	2 50
1 keg,	88
3 jugs and boxes,	3 15
2 jugs,	60

8 5-pint bottles,

\$1 00

\$130 92

AINSWORTH M. NIMS,
Liquor Agent.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF SYMONDS FUND.

To the Honorable Board of Mayor and City Councils.

I herewith submit a list of the securities and investments of the Symonds fund:

Carrie M. Davis, mortgage,	\$165 00
Henry H. Haines, mortgage,	1,000 00
John P. Rust, mortgage,	2,500 00
Fred Humphrey, mortgage,	600 00
Town of Newmarket, N. H., 3½% bonds,	1,000 00
City of Concord, N. H., 3½% bonds,	1,000 00
City of Woburn, Mass., 3½% bonds,	3,000 00
Keene Five Cents Savings Bank, deposit book,	3,982 72
Cheshire County Savings Bank, deposit book,	3,000 00
Keene Savings Bank, deposit book,	4,685 49
Cash on hand,	62 50

\$20,995 71

A. L. WRIGHT,
Treasurer.

Keene, December 7, 1903.

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR.

To the Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen:

I herewith submit the following report:

WATER COLLECTIONS.

Amount collected on 67th assessment,	\$8,165 74	
Amount collected on arrearages,	463 86	
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		\$8,629 60
Amount collected on 68th assessment,	\$9,135 03	
Amount collected on previous assess-		
ment,	346 28	
Amount collected on arrearages,	152 41	
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		\$9,633 72
Amount collected on meters,	\$4,972 56	
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		\$23,235 88
Deposited with treasurer,	\$23,300 00	

TAXES, 1903.

Amount of warrant,	\$110,731 56	
Collected and deposited,	\$86,812 49	
Discount allowed,	1,378 82	
*Uncollected,	22,540 25	
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		\$110,731 56

*Subject to Abatements.

TAXES, 1902.

Balance from last report,	\$20,140 77
Collected and deposited,	\$15,943 88
*Uncollected,	4,196 89
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	\$20,140 77

TAXES, 1901.

Balance from last report,	\$2,630 23
Collected and deposited,	\$605 22
*Uncollected,	2,025 01
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	\$2,630 23

TAXES, 1900.

Balance from last report,	\$2,600 15
Collected and deposited,	\$549 75
*Uncollected,	2,050 40
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	\$2,600 15

STREET SPRINKLING.

Amount of 1903 assessment,	\$1,246 00
Balance last report,	382 45
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	\$1,628 45
Collected and deposited,	\$1,300 00
Uncollected,	328 45
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	\$1,628 45

AINSWORTH M. NIMS,
Collector.

Keene, December 15, 1903.

*Subject to Abatements.

VITAL STATISTICS.

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To His Honor the Mayor and Gentlemen of the City Councils:

In compliance with an act of the legislature, passed June session 1887, amended by the legislature of 1899, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the annual report," I hereby submit the following:

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE CITY OF KEENE, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 1903.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child (if any).	Sex and Condition.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
		Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.							
1901.										
Aug. 3	Rawson *	M	L	Walter R. Kirk	Harriet M. Church	Clerk	Springfield, Vt.	Townshend, Vt.	26	27
1902.										
Sept. 3	Andrew Ray	M	L	Albert R. Haskell	— Ray	Survey'r lumber	Amherst, Ms.	Shutesbury, Ms.	38	44
Nov. 24	Kenneth Stephen	M	L	Edward J. Bahan	Gertrude R. Mason	Hostler	Harrisville	Marlboro	27	28
" 27	Leon George	M	L	L. E. Bartholomew	Ellen Hughes	Teamster	Whitehall, N. Y.	Whitehall, N. Y.	34	35
Dec. 5	Earl Arthur	M	L	Fred E. Estey	Ida M. Gammon	Hostler	Moors Forks, NY	Boston, Ms.	36	38
Nov. 9	Rosamond	F	L	Fred E. Gluck	Lucy Crossfield	Silver plater	Niagara Falls, NY	Canada	22	20
" 26	Hazel Viola	F	L	Frank H. Lombard	Jennie M. Reed	Clerk	Swanzy	Sullivan	24	25
" 29	Sarah Mary	F	L	Geo. N. LeBlanc	Mary Boyea	Machineist	Westford, Ms.	Dannemora, N. Y.	32	21
Dec. 2	Mary Eleanor	F	S	Dennis Hartnett	Mary Amlaw	Railroad hand	Keene	Canada	26	22
" 9		F	S	Patrick Swenney	Ina M. Price	Paill maker	Ireland	Keene	23	16
" 9	Lawrence Cecil	M	L	Bert H. Greene	Minnie Banyea	Clerk	Swanzy	Keene	23	29
" 9	Pierre Eli	M	L	Fred S. Wyman	Rosella M. Guilow	Laborer	Keene	Keene	30	25
" 10	Hazel May	F	L	Pierre Bergeron	Clarisse LeBlanc	Laborer	Canada	Keene	37	36
" 11	Antoinett	F	L	William S. Cook	Nettie M. Chase	Lo. Engineer	Westmoreland	Andover, Vt.	39	34
" 13	Francis	F	L	Ludger Bergeron	— Obeline	Shoemaker	Canada	Ireland	23	20
" 16	Annie Hagan	F	L	Cornelius Driscoll	Hannah Lombard	Laborer	Ireland	Ireland	50	46
" 17	Julia	F	L	James Carpenter	Katherine Pender	Chair maker	Gilsum	Keene	38	30
" 23	Richard	M	L	Daniel Gilbo	Cynthia Cator	Farmer	Ireland	Alstead	49	33
" 23	William Reed	M	L	Edward P. Kelley	Mary Parkeson	Laborer	Ireland	Ireland	60	46
" 24		M	L	Peter Cadere	Agnes E. Sullivan	Machineist	Burlington, Vt.	— Ms.	22	18
" 24		M	L	Fred E. Holbrook	Josephine Mosaic	Laundryman	Canada	Cohoes, N. Y.	22	22
" 24	Adele	F	L	Wallace L. Mason	Della S. Caswell	Bank cashier	Swanzy	Rutland, Vt.	26	22
" 25	William Joseph	F	L	John Wichland	Bertha M. Hayward	Laster	Keene	Geneva, Switzld	36	27
" 25	Christina Adeline	F	L	Arthur E. Culver	Veronica	Sta'y engineer	Russia	St. Albans, Vt.	36	29
" 26	Dana T.	M	L	Dana Reed	Mary A. Lovett	Steam fitter	Northfield, Vt.	Lebanon	25	25
" 27		M	S	John Barrett	Emma Lampron	Railroad hand.	Brattleboro, Vt.	Keene	28	29
" 27		M	S		Cath'rine O'Connor		Boston, Ms.	Keene	21	17
1903.										
Jan. 4		M	L	George Loranger	Delia Lemire	Laborer	Ellenburgh, N.Y.	Forrest, N. Y.	35	29

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		Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.							
Jan. 6	Mary Elizabeth	F	L	John H. Shea	Jessie E. Fellows	Engineer	Keene	Keene	35	31
" 7	Margaret Elizabeth	F	L	John F. McNiff	Clara M. Green	Spinner	Providence, R. I.	Newfoundland	24	22
" 10	"	M	S	Sidney A. Nims	Annie M. Gurnsey	Clerk	Keene	Keene	28	22
" 10	"	M	S	Sidney A. Nims	Annie M. Gurnsey	Clerk	Keene	Keene	28	22
" 17	"	M	L	Moses Myers	Julia L. Trudeau	Laborer	Burlington, Vt.	Middlebury, Vt.	38	24
" 17	Paul Lester	M	L	Fred Boissy	Emma L. Harpin	Spinner	Vermont	Keene	35	23
" 22	Willard Lawrence	M	L	Geo. W. Thompson	Mabel L. Lawrence	Teamster	Winchester	Winchester	35	24
" 22	Louise Mildred	F	L	Geo. M. Hodgkins	Josephine Vincillette	Farmer	Alstead	Surry	47	32
" 28	Lucende Eugenie	F	L	Dollard Loisele	Ledea Beaumier	Loom fixer	St. Brigide, P.Q.	Lake Aymer, P.Q.	43	38
" 27	Andrew Sumner	M	L	Orlando C. Joslyn	Josephine M. Kosman	Teamster	East Boston, Ms.	Germany	50	32
" 29	Orson Neil	M	L	Robert E. Tolman	Cora A. Bemis	Market man	Manchester	Athens, Vt.	27	20
" 29	Joseph J. B.	M	L	J. B. Lamoureux	Lize Girard	Painter	St. Barnaby, Ca.	W. Holden, Ms.	26	24
" 29	"	F	L	Lewis Campbell	Vernie Poole	Tel. lineman	St. Johns, N. B.	Keene	29	22
" 30	Florence Bertha	F	L	Adam G. Samson	Mabel Barker	Shoemaker	Canada	Lynn, Ms.	22	18
Feb. 3	Frederick B.	M	L	Bertie E. Gates	Cassie Barker	Coachman	Alstead	Nelson	32	28
" 2	Elizabeth	F	L	Timothy O'Brien	Maggie Donovan	Painter	Keene	Keene	41	31
" 3	Hazel Eunice	F	L	Frank Loso	Bertha E. Brown	Machinist	Canada	Canada	21	19
" 4	Henry	M	L	Germaine Martineau	Mary Desrochers	Spinner	St. Nicholas, P.Q.	St. Leonore, P.Q.	35	30
" 4	Joseph	M	L	Joseph LaClair	Mary McFadden	Railroad hand	Canada	Ireland	37	28
" 5	John Joseph	M	L	Patrick J. Malloy	Annie Sullivan	Shoe shop op'e	No. Adams, Ms.	Keene	25	27
" 6	Alice May	F	L	Thos. Bilodeau	Jennie Grigore	Laborer	Canada	Harrisville	26	24
" 11	"	M	L	John Casista	Octavie LeBlanc	Shoemaker	Highgate, Vt.	Keene	32	22
" 15	Clarence William	M	L	Jno. Wm. Castor	Emma M. Champney	Box maker	Highgate, Vt.	State Line	32	22
" 23	Marion	F	L	Allan Shaw	Maud Young	Carpenter	Montague, P.E.I.	Montague, P.E.I.	20	18
" 23	Dorris	F	L	Alden B. Taplin	Florence H. Gerald	Fore'm'WoolenM	Lowell, Ms.	Lowell, Ms.	34	23
" 23	Herbert Gove	M	L	Robert White	Bessie Gove	Laborer	Portland, Me.	Whitefield	26	25
" 23	"	F	L	Fred Vermouth	Ellen Davis	Butcher	Peacham, Vt.	Bradford, Vt.	31	28
Mar. 8	Eleanor Mae	F	L	Arthur Dean	Laura Fay	City driver	Nova Scotia	Alstead	44	43
" 11	Ralph Everett	M	L	Henry M. Blake	Mertie Moltrop	Laborer	Surry	Whitefield, Vt.	39	34
" 11	Henry Young	M	L	Lyman A. Handy	Mary S. Young	Mechanic	Richmond	Newport, R. I.	39	26

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		Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.							
Mar 12	Carleton Francis	M	L	Worthy F. Maylott	Emma L. Doescher	Sec'y Y. M. C. A.	Kidd'rmins't Eng	Leicester, Ms.	31	29
" 14	Arnold Leroy	M	L	Lewis G. Britton	Alice Milton	Laborer	Surry	England	21	20
" 21	Elmore George	M	L	Samuel Croto	Louise Beausoleil	Teamster	Roxbury	Saranac, N. Y.	23	21
" 23	William Dunn	M	L	William J. Callahan	Nora A. Connell	Laborer	London, Eng.	Keene	42	32
" 28	(Found in ward 4)	F	S							
" 29	Joseph Theodore	M	L	Frank Tessier	Elise Bergeron	Laborer	Danmemora, N. Y.	Stanford, P. Q.	30	29
" 30		M	L	Leonce Auger	Felene Rouchard	Shoemaker	Keene	Canada	23	21
" 16	Laura Caroline	F	L	Fred A. Leach	Frances Ruffie	Mechanic	Keene	Keene	[Ct	41
" 18	Louis Philip	M	L	Philip Schontag	Amelia Matte	Baker	Germany	Warehouse Point	28	35
" 18		M	L	Austin C. Higgins	Lena E. Kempton	Buttermaker	Cornish	Cornish	21	22
Apr. 2	Leon Davis	M	S	James Menter	Eva Lebourveau	Laborer	Haverhill, Ms.	Swanzy	37	36
" 22	Mary Leonie	F	L	Telesph'e Deslauriers	Emma Labbe	Clerk	Canada	Ware, Ms.	22	18
" 2	Mildred	F	L	Thomas Seery	Margaret Kennedy	Machinist	Canada	St. Albans, Vt.	22	18
" 6	Louise Ida	F	L	Daniel Wilder	Emma Knight	Farmer	Vermont	Marlow	58	41
" 9	Jessie Viola	F	L	James F. Horne	Florence Clarke	Fireman B & M	Nova Scotia	Natick, Ms.	25	24
" 14	Agnes Dorothy	F	L	Xavier Bourassa	Victoria Durand	Laborer	Plattsburg, N. Y.	Sheldon, Vt.	28	31
" 21	Vernon F.	M	L	Wm. F. Whitcomb	Minnette Washburn	Clergyman	Claremont	Springfield, Vt.	28	31
" 22	Marie Alma	F	L	Alfred Cote	Flora Bedard	Laborer	Canada	Grosvenor'deCt.	32	25
" 27	Dorothy May	F	L	Pierre Brouillard	Exilia Demers	Laborer	Canada	Canada	41	35
" 28	Margaret Katharine	F	L	G. Elwin Fairbanks	Bertha Shepardson	Clerk	Fitzwilliam	W. Rayalston, Ms	23	23
May 2		F	L	Thomas Vernon	Mary Quinlan	Clerk	New Jersey	Keene	28	28
" 2		F	S	Donald S. Cummings	Hattie J. Hamblet	Clerk	Keene	Keene	28	21
" 5	William Ellsworth	M	L	Lew E. Hubbard	Julia Sullivan	Machinist	Keene	Marlboro	30	25
" 9	Carl Henry	M	L	James H. Main	Annie Austen	Shoemaker	Canada	Bradford, Vt.	29	35
" 10	Mary Orsalia B.	M	L	Oliver Champagne	Olivine Derosiers	Laborer	Canada	Canada	49	38
" 11	Helen Abbie	F	L	Frank E. Conant	Mabel I. Barrett	Chair maker	Fitchburg, Ms.	Gilsum	46	34
" 12	Ernest	M	L	John R. McPherson	Ethelyne R. Taplin	Stone cutter	Scotland	Corinth, Vt.	35	20
" 14	Marie Rosa	F	L	Elie Chabott	Anna Menard	Grocer	Canada	Canada	38	39
" 18	Harold Allen	M	L	Howard Southwick	Emma S. Tenney	Shoe operator	Hogensburg, N. Y	Medford, Ms.	21	18

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		Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.							
May 27		M	1	Robert Rexford	Ida Deyo	Pail maker	Swanzy	Swanzy	32	16
" 30		M	4	Arthur T. Fish	Genye Perham	Chair maker	Alstead	Hinsdale	36	34
May 23	Barney	M	6	Joseph Saunders	Mary Gilbo	Blacksmith	Troy	New York	23	24
May 7		F	1	Richard Spison	Lillie J. Knox	Laborer	Keene	Roxbury	23	23
" 10	Marion Cynthia	F	1	Thos. M. Baldwin	Lizzie Euber	Machinist	Keene	New Brunswick	21	24
" 26	Theodore Ralph	M	1	Henry Holbrook	Annie L. M. Colby	Carpenter	Springfield, Vt.	Lincoln, Vt.	35	33
" 30	Gaylord Colby	M	5	John E. Wyman	Jennie Tremblay	Mail carrier	Harrisville	Lowell, Ms.	28	26
June 2	Helen Elizabeth	F	1	David Tremblay	Ella M. Bolster	Provision dealer	Keene	Keene	31	24
" 5	Henry Archibald	M	2	Ferdinand Dion	Albina Dubois	Laborer	Grandby, Ca.	Altona	23	19
" 8	Mary Malvina	F	4	Leonidas Gagnon	Albina Bourgeois	Shoemaker	Warwick, P. Q.	Saginaw, Mich.	27	22
" 8	Louis George	M	2	Geo. F. T. Trask	Hermine Laurent	Machinist	St. Celestin, P. Q.	St. Celestin, P. Q.	30	22
" 8	Norman Owen	M	4	Thomas F. Leahy	Nellie Hagan	Shoe cutter	Keene	Sullivan	31	30
" 9	Catherine Hagan	F	3	Henry Loïselle	Anna B. Marion	Carriage painter	Ireland	Brattleboro, Vt.	62	32
" 14	Rose Mildred	F	6	Frank E. Wright	Josephine A. Dailey	Shoemaker	Harrisville	Fitzwilliam	32	26
" 15	Marcus Dailey	M	2	Irvin Curtis	Ellen Hall	Pail turner	Montgomery, Vt.	Westmoreland	26	23
" 17		M	6	Chas. H. Woods	Salome E. Empey	Farmer	Natick, Ms.	Cannamore, Ont.	61	40
" 19	Alice Fyrn	F	1	Luke Olifs	Josephine Cahill	Printer	Massachusetts		27	28
" 21	Catherine	F	1	Herbert H. Vose	Ella S. Hosford	Railroad hand	Wolcott, Vt.	Walpole	26	21
" 22	Alice May	F	1	John C. Bushy	Lillian S. Parkinson	Teamster	Monk't'n Rid'g Vt.	Florence, Ms.	26	23
" 21	John Thomas	M	2	Telesphore Dubois	Eulalie Desilets	Blacksmith	Canada	Swanzy	27	23
" 28	Pierre Joseph	M	2	Napoleon Dupuis	Josephine Lawsure	Oper. Woolen M	Dannemora, N. Y.	St. Eulalie, Ca.	29	24
July 1	Hilla	M	3	Wm. E. Sebastian	Annie M. Teller	Laborer	Swanzy	Dannemora, N. Y.	26	24
" 2	Lester Edward	M	9	Edwin V. Aldrich	Nellie I. Dickerman	Shoe shop oper.	Keene	Swanzy	27	20
" 2	Henry Gurler	M	2	William G. Barras	Grace May Rowe	Farmer	Keene	Hinsdale	54	44
" 3	Gertrude May	F	1	John D. Proctor	Mabel P. Bunker	Pail turner	Nova Scotia	Marlboro	40	18
" 6	Donald Andrew	M	2		Maggie Driscoll	Physician	Montreal, Ca.	Concord	35	35
" 7		F	1		Minnie M. Martell			Keene	30	15
" 9	Virginia Edith	F	4	Frank A. David	Charlotte D. King	Chair finisher	Swanzy	Rutland, Vt.	26	23
" 11	Phillip King	M	1	Winifred M. Brown	Mabel R. Welch	Butcher	Keene	Marlow	32	28
" 13	Jefferson Toof	M	5	Joseph A. Lincoln		Com'l salesman	Hingham, Ms.	Hingham, Ms.	39	38

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		Male or Female.	No. of Child Living or Stillborn.							
July 13	Daniel	M	2	Michael Cahalane	Maggie O'Neil	Clerk	Westmoreland	Pioche, Nevada	37	29
" 13	Charles Ivin	M	3	Bert C. Newell	Christie B. St. Peter	Mechanic	Syracuse, N. Y.	Plymouth, Vt.	24	22
" 22	Clara May	F	2	Charles O. Rice	Maud Bates	Laborer	Hinsdale	Keene	22	18
" 25	Raymond	M	2	Frank Loranger	Della Lemire	Laborer	Ellensburg, N. Y.	Ellensburg, N. Y.	22	22
" 26	Theodore	M	2	Reginald Robbins	Marg't Jane Empey	Barber	Pittsfield	Finch, Ont.	28	24
" 31		M	1	George A. Warner	Florence Parkhurst	Clerk	Keene	Keene	20	18
" 15	Gladys Fernald	F	1	Clarence A. Moore	Susie H. Brooks	Clerk	Westminster, Vt.	[Vt.]	25	23
" 27	Florence Nora	F	1	George W. Riley	Alice A. Dyson	Machinist	North Troy, Vt.	Sullivan	25	25
Aug. 4	Ruth Alice	F	4	Harry B. Muchmore	Minnie F. Hadley	Mechanic	New York	Lowell	38	30
" 4	Walter	M	2	Fred Derosiers	Emerence Larche	Gas house	St. Germain, P. Q.	Ellensburg Depot,	35	20
" 6	Edward Oliver	M	2	Frank E. Woods	Lulu R. Welch	Brick mason	Keene	Keene	28	20
" 7	Adelina Loisa	F	11	Amede Poisson	Adelina Ouellette	Laborer	Gentilly, P. Q.	Wolfestown, P. Q.	39	33
" 8	Abraham	M	4	Jacob Tadelman	Golder	Junk dealer	Russia	Russia	29	26
" 14	Irma Lillian	F	2	Henry J. Brown	Emma J. Whitcomb	Painter	Troy	Troy	33	25
" 17	Augusta Elizabeth	F	2	Augustus Bolio	Annie Price	Stone mason	Canada	Ireland	33	25
" 17	Anna Rosa	F	7	Antonio Manche	Mary Saxtoria	Boiler maker	Italy	Italy	37	27
" 17		F	7	Wm. P. Carr	Katharine Cullinane	Mason	Stoddard	Bangor, Me.	50	42
" 17		F	8	Wm. P. Carr	Katharine Cullinane	Mason	Stoddard	Bangor, Me.	50	42
" 19	Florence Cecilia	F	13	David E. Cheney	Justine Dion	Laborer	Canada	Oldtown, Me.	46	36
" 29	Elwell Claton	M	2	Morgan R. Stebbins	Lena M. Kenyon	Laborer	Brookline, Vt.	Keene	20	21
" 18	Mattie Louise	F	1	William H. Eber	Mattie Rand	Wood sawyer	Crown Pt., N. J.	Manchester	36	20
Sept. 4		M	1	Wilfred Duchesneau	Dora A. Bushey	Barber	Canada	Bellows Falls, Vt.	18	19
" 7		F	10	Alcide Hebert	Armeline Elie	Carpenter	St. Celestin, P. Q.	St. Celestin, P. Q.	46	38
" 7	Helen	F	3	Joseph H. Crocker	Margaret Irwin	Brakeman	Calumet, Mich.	Keene	24	26
" 7	Wilfred Edward	M	3	Wilfred F. Lenois	Ellen Walls	Carpenter	Canada	Canada	28	24
" 9	Frank Harold	M	1	Walter W. Glazier	Mabel A. Barnard	Chair maker	Keene	Andover, Vt.	29	28
" 13	Mildred Viola	F	1	Ernest M. Fletcher	Jennie I. Fisher	Clerk	Keene	Hartford, Ct.	24	20
" 14	Jesse Niles	M	2	John M. Grout	Olive Lamphrey	Laborer	Kansas	Lyme	32	30
" 19	Raymond Reed	M	3	Joseph Boyca	Georgia Buskey	Laborer	New York	Somersworth	32	25
" 23	Albert Samuel, Jr.	M	1	Albert S. Doucette	Rosa M. Yetto	Spinner	Marlboro	Dommore, N. Y.	22	19

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		Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.							
Sept 23	Madeline Catherine	F	L	Wm. F. Brockway	Nellie E. Knapp	Painter	Hinsdale	Hinsdale	88	30
" 25	Golday May	F	L	Henry A. Pragent	Lizzie Esro	Laborer	Brainerdville, Vt.	New York	30	25
" 29	Muriel Viola	F	L	Leroy A. Piper	Mary Gilmore	Painter	Welltown, N. Y.	Swansey	20	24
" 30	Bernard Carigan	M	L	Charles Finn	Elizabeth Carigan	Motorman	Winchendon, Ms.	Keene	33	33
" 30	Francis Edward	M	L	Francis Fortier	Ellen A. Magee	Box maker	Canada	Ireland	25	23
" 26	Marie Laura Eva	F	L	Frank Grimaud	Azelie LeRoux	Laborer	Canada	Canada	44	30
Oct. 2	Mary Ellen	F	S	Charles Gearing	Ada L. Ashendon	Salvation Army	England	England	40	40
" 3	Raymond	F	L	James Higgins	Maggie Dacey	Railroad hand	Keene	Ireland	31	27
" 6	Edward Charles	M	L	R. Hardy Beals	Katie Gilbo	Carpenter	Nova Scotia	Nova Scotia	32	29
" 11	Madlene Catherine	F	L	Martin H. Sullivan	Lilla L. Curtis	Farmer	Keene	Westmoreland	31	31
" 11	Gertrude Vera	F	L	Harry W. Robbins	Elizabeth G. Bolio	Shoemaker	Sullivan	Westmoreland	24	21
" 12	Elwin Joseph	M	L	Phillip Bowen	Emma Bouvier	Steam fitter	Montreal, P. Q.	Burlington, Vt.	38	34
" 13	Nathan Whitcomb	M	L	Lawrence E. Gilbo	Fannie Whitcomb	Clerk	Boston Cr. N. Y.	Keene	32	31
" 13	Grace Evelyn	F	L	Edwin A. Ellis	Corra E. Parker	Teamster	Harwich, Ms.	Keene	28	22
" 14	Lillian Agnes	F	L	Albert F. Marsh	Malvina Durand	Weaver	Walpole	Harrisville	37	28
" 15	Harriet Ann	F	L	Medos Corey	May Fredenburg	Box maker	Canada	Harrisville	24	17
" 15	Edward	F	L	Charles H. Castor	Mary Raigan	Laborer	New York State	New York	23	22
" 21	Joseph F. Lio	M	L	Patrick L. Donovan	Clara N. Doime	Laborer	Ireland	Ireland	47	47
" 24	Doris Elizabeth	F	L	Joseph B. Gregoire	Mary K. Smith	Carpenter	Harrisville	Canada	30	26
" 25	David Henry	M	L	Horace W. Bond	Sophie Amlaw	Railroad helper	Tonawanda, N. Y.	Waterloo, Ca.	46	38
" 29	Marie Exlina M.	F	L	Millard Germain	Afina LeKoux	Laborer	Dannemora, N. Y.	Dannemora, N. Y.	24	22
" 30	Linnie Merle	F	L	Edward Boisvert	Edith Bruce	Laborer	Canada	Canada	30	31
Nov. 5	Nellie	F	L	Geo. L. Mack	Mary Trubbiano		Keene	Sullivan	28	23
" 15	Francis Sydney	M	L	Louis Papill	Emma P. Adams		Italy	Italy	29	23
" 12	"	M	L	Sydney J. Wilder	Elizabeth Avery		Wallingford, Vt.	Xenia, Ohio	27	28
" 12	"	M	L	Frank W. Wellington	Elizabeth Avery		Keene	"	35	30
" 28	"	F	L	Frank W. Wellington	Mary D. Cady		"	"	35	30
1883.				Wm. O. Davis	Lucie Joly		Gilsum	Alstead	39	29
July 19	Charles Andrew	M	L	Charles Millieu						

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1902. 2 Dec.	Keene	Orrin A. Ellis Sarah E. Wright	Keene, " "	25 41	Farmer At home	Keene "	Ira A. Ellis Lydia Barnes Geo. K. Wright Nancy Leonard	Keene Glsun Keene Sury	1st 1st	Rev. J. Walther Keene
" 3	"	Phineas Gline Jessie Brown	" Spofford	40 31	Mechanic At home [Painter]	Westmoreland Perth, Scotland	Willard R. Gline Lucy Brown Alexander Wilson Jessie Brown	Westmoreland Chesterfield Winnross, Scot. Methven, Scot.	2d 2d	Rev. J. Walther Keene
" 8	"	William C. Reason Bridget M. Curtin	Keene "	39 28	Carriage Domestic	Keene Ireland	James Reason Eliz. Constantine Daniel Curtin Mary Curtin	Ireland Vermont " Ireland	1st 1st	Rev. D. A. Ryan Keene
" 10	"	Marcus E. Bowles Mary J. Southwell	" "	47 48	Pail turner Housekeeper	Swanzy Nelson	Sanford Bowles Lydia S. Starkey Orrel P. Atwood Sarah Weston	Landaff Marlboro Nelson Antrim	2d 2d	Rev. E. P. Drew Keene
" 17	"	Francis C. Neaves Mary Kothe	" "	19 20	Chair maker Shoe maker	Nova Scotia Thompsonville, [Ct.]	William Neaves Mary A. Sabon William Kothe Theresa Leibel	Nova Scotia " Nova Scotia Meringen, Ger. Baden, Ger.	1st 1st	Rev. A. Wheeler Keene
Oct. 22	Concord	John Donald Proctor Mabel P. Bunker	" Concord	34 34	Physician Metal worker	Montreal, Ca. Concord	Peter K. Proctor Theresa Holmes Andrew Bunker Marion P. Bunker	New Sharon, Me Leeds, Eng. Barnstead " Barnstead	1st 1st	Rev. G. H. Reed Concord
Dec. 24	Keene	Joseph McNamara Addie W. Hutchingson	Newton, Ms. Waltham, Ms	21 29	Jeweling	Boston, Ms. W. New Port'd, Me	Jerc. McNamara Mary Keefe Hiram V. Winter Mira Granger	Newton, Ms. New Haven, Ct. New Port'd, Me Wisconsin	1st 2d	[J. P. F. H. Whitcomb Keene
" 24	"	Frank L. Pond Rose May Allen	Keene "	37 30	Jeweler Cook	Keene Londonderry,	Albert E. Pond Eliza A. Stone Geo. W. Shattuck Emily E. Clayton	Keene Hubb'drdst'n Ms Weston, Vt. Windham, Vt.	2d 2d	Rev. H. Billman Keene

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Dec. 25	W. Swanzy	Luther J. Leach	Waterville, Vt	57	Carpenter	Waterville, Vt.	Royal P. Leach Mary L. Wetherell	Westmoreland Waterville, Vt.	4h	Rev. R. Bennett W. Swanzy
"	31 Keene	Clara E. Stratton	Keene	48	Housekeeper	Weare	Richard Kinson Susan Gilly	" Weare	3d	
"	"	Eugene B. Willard	"	22	Shoe cutter	Kingsland, N.J.	Luman B. Willard Elizabeth Boland	Alstead Rochester, N. V.	1st	Rev. C. B. Elder Keene
"	31 "	Bessie B. Cameron	"	19		Keene	Simcon Cameron Eliza Ann Barnes	New Brunswick Swanzy	1st	
"	"	Edwin A. Ellis	"	27	Clerk	Harwich, Ms.	Samuel A. Ellis Lucy Robbins	Harwich, Ms.	1st	Rev. E. P. Drew Keene
"	25 Harrisville	Fannie Whitcomb	"	21	[weaver 23 Woollen [weaver	Keene	J. F. Whitcomb Hannah P. Keyes	Keene	1st	
"	"	Medos J. Corey	"	23	Woollen	Canada	James Corey Sophia Bergeron	Canada	1st	Rev. H. J. Belle Marlboro
1903. Jan. 1	Keene	Mary DeLaDurantye	Harrisville	17	Woollen	Harrisville	J. DeLaDurantye M. V. LaBonty	" "	1st	
"	"	Frank T. Thomas	Royalston Ms	20	Farmer	Royalston, Ms.	John E. Thomas Ida M. Kidder	S. Hadley, Ms. Swanzy	1st	Rev. J. Walther Keene
"	1	Sadie M. Wallace	Keene	21	Housekeeper	Portsmouth	Henry Wallace Abbie Berkeley	Boston, Ms. Salem, Ms.	1st	
"	"	Chas. H. Beauregard	Springfield Ms	22	Lo. fireman	Keene	Chas. Beauregard Clarissa Auger	" Canada	1st	Rev. D. A. Ryan Keene
"	"	Melissa M. Bergeron	Keene	18		"	Calice Bergeron Salina Bushey	" "	1st	
"	1	Loren W. Adams	"	45	Carpenter	Peterboro	Samuel Adams Jane M. Nay	Dublin Peterboro	2d	Rev. G. W. Ru- Keene
"	"	Ida May Mack	"	31	Bookkeeper	Colton, N. Y.	Wm. H. Chapin Mary J. Irish	Westminster, Vt. Milton, Vt.	2d	
"	5 Ware, Ms.	Gilliaume Monplais's	"	50	Paving cutter	Canada	M. Monplaisire Julie Benoit	" "	3d	Rev. J. T. Shee- Ware, Ms.
"	"	Emma M. Labby	Ware, Ms.	41	Operative	"	Joseph Menard Eulalie Gaudet	" "	2d	

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Jan. 6	Ashuelot	Stephen H. Loveland	Keene	31	Chair finisher	Camden, N. Y.	Joseph S. Loveland	Florence, N. Y.	1st	Rev. F. D. O'Neill Winchester
" 14	Keene	Marie M. Bausquet	"	29	Tailorress	Keene	Charlotte Bacom	Redfield, N. Y.	1st	
		William F. Burke	"	25	Blacksmith	Ireland	Efione Bausquet	Canada	1st	
		Margaret McDonald	"	26	Domestic	Ireland	Selma Gagnon	Ireland	1st	Rev. D. A. Ryan Keene
" 15	W. Swanzey	Bert S. Blaisdell	"	26	Hostler	Keene	Margaret Maloney	"	1st	
		Lillian Way	"	23		Dorchester, Ms.	John McDonald	"	1st	
" 21	Keene	Clyde F. Watson	"	24	Laborer	Nova Scotia	Mary Collins	"	1st	
		Mary E. Holman	"	25	Domestic	Nova Scotia	Geo. W. Blaisdell	Dorchester, Ms.	1st	Rev. R. Bennett Swanzey
" 25	"	John J. Barrett	Boston, Ms.	20	Machinist	Boston, Ms.	Lucy Griffith	Worcester, Ms.	2d	
		Cath'ne T. O'Connor	Keene	17		Keene	Wm. J. Burchum	Dorchester, Ms.	1st	Rev. E. P. Drew Keene
" 29	"	Thomas B. Wallbank	"	26	Shoe cutter	England	Mary Wellsley	Nova Scotia	1st	
		Lillian E. Daley	"	23		Ireland	John Watson	"	1st	
Feb. 3	"	Carl M. Pratt	"	25	Electrician	Keene	Matilda Higgins	"	1st	
		Millie O. Burley	"	20		Dover	William Holman	"	1st	
" 25	"	George O. Norcross	"	34	Jobber	Winchester	Rebecca Richmond	"	1st	
		Eva Maranda George	"	25		Bolton, Ms.	Annie Fitzpatrick	Ireland	1st	
							Thos. J. O'Connor	"	1st	
							Mary Breen	"	1st	
							Jos. F. Wallbank	England	1st	Rev. D. A. Ryan Keene
							Mary E. Beech	"	1st	
							William E. Daley	Ireland	1st	
							Mary Fant	"	1st	
							Chas. W. Pratt	New York, N. Y.	1st	Rev. E. P. Drew Keene
							Sarah J. Parks	Winchendon Ms	1st	
							Sam'l D. Burley	Dover	1st	
							Clara Berry	"	1st	
							Nels'n B. Norcross	Bolton, Ms.	2d	J. Madden, J. P. Keene
							Mary L. Cutting	England	2d	
							Alvin Crouch	Massachusetts	2d	
							Mary M. Marsh	Troy, N. Y.	2d	

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Mar. 7	Keene	Joseph Neddeau	Keene	51	Chopper	Canada	Andrew Neddeau	Canada	2d	Rev. C. B. Elder Keene
" 14	"	Louisa M. Neddeau	"	34		Vermont	Ros'la Beauseant Louis Champney Emily Broadway	" " Drummondville [Ca.]	2d	
" 28	"	Henry E. Wright	"	37	Machinist	Montague, Ms.	Erza A. Wright Emilie Richa'ds'n	Keene	2d	Rev. E. P. Drew Keene
" 31	"	Mary L. Roundy	"	38		Surry	John A. Blake Abbie Jane Whitcomb	Surry	2d	
" 31	"	Luther H. Toof	"	25	Laundryman	Brome Cr., Ca.	Abbie J. Vitcum Clarence Huntley	St. Armond, Ca. E. Corinth, Vt.	1st	Rev. C. B. Elder Keene
" 31	"	Mabel A. Huntley	"	23		E. Cornith, Vt.	Adeline George James O. Amadon	"	2d	
Apr. 11	"	Fred P. Amadon	"	20	Match maker	Keene	Susan L. Bryant Wm. V. Crehan	Marlboro St. Armond, Ms.	1st	Rev. J. Walther Keene
" 11	"	Pauline L. Crehan	"	18		Hinsdale	Annie Blanchard Chas. V. Godard	"	1st	
" 11	"	Elmer J. Goddard	Athol, Ms.	21	Shoemaker	Royalston, Ms.	Ella Norcross Martha Goddard	Athol, Ms.	1st	Rev. J. Walther Keene
" 15	"	Agnes B. Goddard	Waltham, Ms	20		Ludlow, Vt.	Agnes Henderson Geo. H. M. Tenney	Vermont	1st	
" 15	"	Joel H. Tenney	Keene	30	Pail maker	Winchendon Ms	Anna Priest Patrick Breen	Winchendon Ms Ireland	1st	Rev. D. A. Ryan Keene
" 18	"	Catherine J. Breen	" [Vt.]	29		Keene	Ellen Hanley Chas. Sturtevant	"	1st	[er] Rev. A. H. Wheel-Keene
" 18	"	George E. Sturtevant	Londonderry, [Vt.]	25	Sta. engineer	Deerfield, Ms.	Alice W. Smith Anson Chadwick	Deerfield, Ms. Hancock, Vt.	1st	
" 20	"	Viola J. Chadwick	Londonderry, [Vt.]	21		Londonderry Vt	Jane Harlow Felix Johnson	"	1st	
" 20	"	Lyman Johnson	Keene	21	Shoemaker	Canada	Lizzie Marcotte David Goozey	Canada	1st	Rev. J. Walther Keene
" 20	"	Lulu Goozey	"	19		Johnson, Vt.	Emma Fay	Johnson, Vt.	1st	

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Apr. 23	Keene	Dana D. Wilder	Keene	31	Teamster	E. Wallingford, Vt.	Daniel Wilder	Wallingford Vt.	2d	Rev. W. F. Whitcomb
"	"	Sarah Idella Gates	"	26		Alstead	Andrew J. Gates	Vermont	1st	Surry
" 25	"	Fred E. Porter	"	42	Laborer	Colerain, Ms.	Angie S. Kidder	Alstead		
"	"	Rose H. Smith	Chesterfield	42		Swanzy	Chas. H. Porter	Middlebury, Vt.	2d	Rev. J. Walther Keene
" 29	"	Jeremiah F. Conway	Keene	30	Conductor	Keene	Rhoda Fredericks	Grafton, Ms.	2d	
" 29	"	Mary A. O'Brien	"	30		Winchester	Elbridge Prentice	Swanzy		Rev. D. A. Ryan Keene
" 29	"	Abram W. Provouchee	"	55	Retired	Manchester	John Conway	Ireland		
" 29	"	Ida H. Pishon	"	47		Fairfield, Me.	Lestina Read	"		
" 30	"	Lucius E. Burpee	"	36	Painter	Dublin	Dennis O'Brien	"		
" 30	"	Anna Bingham	"	38		Westminster, Vt.	Bridget Hanley	Canada	2d	Rev. A. H. Wheel-Keene
" 30	"	John M. Reed	"	45	Stone cutter	Peuryr, Eng.	Margaret Duff	Fairfield, Me.	1st	
May 5	"	Mary A. Vennall	"	34		London, Eng.	Sherman Pishon	Dublin	1st	S. O. Gates, J. P. Keene
" 5	"	John Marcotte	"	33	Stone mason	Saxtons R, Vt.	Abbie Judkins	Massachusetts	2d	
" 5	"	Clara M. Byron	Roxbury	17		Roxbury	Anna Lawrence	Rochester, Vt.	1st	Rev. A. H. Wheel-Keene
" 5	"	Herbert B. Viall	Keene	63	Treas. bank	Dorset, Vt.	John Reed	Westminster Vt	1st	
" 5	"	Emma J. Whittemore	"	35		W. Roxbury Ms.	Jane Hocking	Navis Cove Eng.	1st	
							James Vennall	London, Eng.	1st	
							Mary Lane	"	1st	
							John T. Marcotte	St. Feren, Ca.	1st	Rev. D. A. Ryan Keene
							Mary M. Cote	Essex, Vt.	1st	
							Joseph R. Byron	St. Christof, Ca.	1st	
							Mary D. —	St. Eugene, Ca.	1st	
							Asa B. Viall	Ianaiua, Vt.	2d	Rev. A. H. Wheel-Keene
							Lucy Newhall	Lynn, Ms.	1st	
							John Whittemore	W. Roxbury, Ms.	1st	
							Emma Shackley	Canton, Ms.	1st	

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May 9	Keene	Irving F. Wales	Keene	25	Machinist	Woonsocket, R.I.	Wm. H. Wales	Woonsocket, R.I.	1st	Rev. C. McIntire Marlboro
" 26	"	Mabel M. Sawyer	"	29	Linotype op'r	Brattleboro, Vt.	Annie B. Barkett Cyrus Sawyer	Westminster Brattleboro, Vt.	1st	
" 26	"	Henry W. Cutler	"	25	Laundryman	Barre, Vt.	Mary Rice Walter Cutler	Cutler's Cor. Vt. Craftsbury, Vt.	1st	C. G. Shedd, J. P. Keene
" 26	"	Almena Guyette	"	19		Marlboro	Ella A. Bagley Joseph Guyette	Canada	1st	
" 26	"	Axel Lagerburg	"	33	Painter	Sweden	Celestia Crotto Em'n'l Lagerburg	"	1st	Rev. J. E. Robins Keene
June 1	"	Hilda Wallgren	"	24		"	Joseph'e Gustafson August Walgren	Sweden	2d	
" 6	"	William G. Stevens	"	32	Butter maker	Montgom'ry Vt.	Agnes Johnstons Samuel Stevens	England	1st	Rev. J. Walther Keene
" 6	"	Ludelle Rowley	"	30		"	Lydia Dingman Wesley J. Rowley	Montgomery Vt. Enosburg, Vt.	1st	
" 17	"	Hervey J. Bemis	"	29	Clerk	Worcester, Ms.	Laura Campbell Jas. H. Bemis	Montgomery Vt. Marlboro	1st	Rev. J. E. Robins Keene
" 17	"	Addie E. Marcellus	"	26		Morewood, Ont.	Louise B. Mentzer Silas Marcellus	Stowe, Ms. Ontario	1st	
" 17	"	Chas. T. Bullock	"	29	Carpenter	Marshfield, Vt.	Susan Baxter Marshall Bullock	Marshfield, Vt. Cabot, Vt.	1st	Rev. J. Walther Keene
" 17	"	Orrie A. Lamson	"	19	Idcaler	Hinsdale	Phinette Shaw Lorima Blamson	Williamsdale Hinsdale	1st	
" 17	"	Joseph H. Davis	"	34	Provision	Roxbury	Marie A. Davis Almon A. Davis	Roxbury Sullivan	1st	Rev. C. B. Elder Keene
" 17	"	Bertha A. Colby	"	29		Keene	S. E. Buckminster Chas. H. Colby	Bow Lyme	1st	
" 17	"	Everett W. Potter	"	24	Boiler maker	Fitzwilliam	Helen Badger Benj. F. Potter	Waterville, Vt. New York	1st	Rev. E. P. Drew Keene
" 17	"	Mary E. Ringland	"	21		Killyleigh, Ire.	Cornelia C. Chase Hans S. Ringland	Ireland	1st	

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June 17	Marlboro	Clarence D. Collins	Keene	29	Com. salesm'n	Springfield	Henry J. Collins	Springfield	2d	Rev. A. Mackey
" 23	Keene	Nellie M. Traxler	"	23		Harrisville	Geo. L. Traxler	Delaware, Ohio	2d	Marlboro
" 24	"	John Donahou	"	34	Boiler maker	Ireland	Mollie Bartlett	Francistown	1st	Rev. D. A. Ryan
" 24	"	Bridget Costello	"	36		"	Michael Donahou	Ireland	1st	Keene
" 24	"	Robert L. Lacy	Scottsboro, Va.	40	Merchant	Scottsboro, Va.	Bridget Guinnane	"	1st	Keene
" 24	Peterboro	Minnie J. Cameron	Keene	33	Scho'l teacher	Nelson	Patrick Costello	"	1st	Keene
" 24	Keene	Lyle H. Capron	"	26	Grocery clerk	Swanzy	Mary Cusick	"	1st	Keene
" 24	Keene	Ethel J. Ames	Peterboro	23		Peterboro	Christopher Lacy	Halifax Co., Va.	1st	Rev. E. P. Drew
" 24	Keene	James B. Duffy	Keene	32	Dentist	Keene	Marg'et W. Tuck	Scottsboro, Va.	1st	Keene
July 1	"	Cordelia F. Gour	"	26		Sheldon, Vt.	Donald Cameron	St. Celestine, Ca.	1st	Keene
" 1	"	Winifred O. Butler	"	24	Shoe cutter	Wakefield, Ms.	Hermine Dumond	Three Rivers, Que	1st	Keene
" 1	"	Ethel R. Gour	"	18		Vergennes, Vt.	Geo. O. Capron	Swanzy	1st	Keene
" 1	"	Guy V. Norwood	"	26	Clerk	Winchester	Roselle B. Francis	Newington, Ct.	1st	Keene
" 1	"	Cherrie W. St. Clair	Milton, Ms.	26		Richmond	Fred J. Ames	Peterboro	1st	Keene
" 1	"	Edward N. Carpenter	Providence, R. I.	20	Jeweler	Attleboro, Ms.	Hattie Wheeler	Peterboro	1st	Keene
" 1	"	Edith G. Spaulding	Keene	22		Keene	Francis P. Duffy	Saratoga Sp. N.Y.	1st	Keene
" 1	"	John M. Gour	"	26		Sheldon, Vt.	Mary A. Kelley	Ireland	1st	Keene
" 1	"	Chas. E. Butler	"	24		Wakefield, Ms.	John M. Gour	Canada	1st	Keene
" 1	"	Ethel R. Gour	"	18		Vergennes, Vt.	Philamine Oliver	Sheldon, Vt.	1st	Keene
" 1	"	Guy V. Norwood	"	26		Winchester	Chas. E. Butler	Tarrytown, N.Y.	1st	Keene
" 1	"	Cherrie W. St. Clair	Milton, Ms.	26		Richmond	Franc'la Burdett	Wakefield, Ms.	1st	Keene
" 1	"	Edward N. Carpenter	Providence, R. I.	20	Jeweler	Attleboro, Ms.	John M. Gour	Canada	1st	Keene
" 1	"	Edith G. Spaulding	Keene	22		Keene	Philamine Oliver	Sheldon, Vt.	1st	Keene
" 1	"	John M. Gour	"	26		Sheldon, Vt.	Geo. H. Norwood	W. Warren, Ms.	1st	Keene
" 1	"	Chas. E. Butler	"	24		Wakefield, Ms.	Abbie I. Willard	Winchester	1st	Keene
" 1	"	Ethel R. Gour	"	18		Vergennes, Vt.	Charles St. Clair	Sheldon, Vt.	1st	Keene
" 1	"	Guy V. Norwood	"	26		Winchester	Abbie S. Whitney	Sheldon, Vt.	1st	Keene
" 1	"	Cherrie W. St. Clair	Milton, Ms.	26		Richmond	Edw'd Carpenter	Sheldon, Vt.	1st	Keene
" 1	"	Edward N. Carpenter	Providence, R. I.	20	Jeweler	Attleboro, Ms.	Maria N. Hamlin	Rhode Island	1st	Keene
" 1	"	Edith G. Spaulding	Keene	22		Keene	Albert Spaulding	Hyannis, Ms.	1st	Keene
" 1	"	John M. Gour	"	26		Sheldon, Vt.	Addie J. Gilbert	Nelson	1st	Keene
" 1	"	Chas. E. Butler	"	24		Wakefield, Ms.	Addie J. Gilbert	Gardner	1st	Keene

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July 14	Keene	Albert A. Metcalf	Springfield, Ms.	21	Bookkeeper	Keene	Albert W. Metcalf	Gilsum	1st	Rev. C. B. Elder Keene
" 14	"	Henrietta C. Maxham	Keene	21	Helper	"	Addie M. Starkey	Brattleboro, Vt.	1st	"
" 14	"	Thomas R. Pickett	"	25	Boilermakers	Eley, Vt.	Lilla J. Perry	Keene	1st	Rev. D. A. Ryan Keene
" 14	"	Josephine F. Ahern	"	34	Dressmaker	Keene	Lawrence Pickett	Italy	1st	"
" 14	"	Adolf W. Pressler	"	34	Merchant	Gotha, Ger.	Julia Finnagan	Ireland	1st	"
" 29	"	Bessie G. Skinner	"	30	"	Keene	Martin Ahern	"	1st	"
" 29	"	Mortimer Riordon	"	66	Retired	Ireland	Joanna Thompson	"	1st	"
" 30	"	Bridget Behan	"	58	"	"	Karl Pressler	Sonneborn, Ger.	1st	Rev. E. P. Drew Keene
" 30	"	Cleon M. Domina	"	22	Pail maker	Jay, Vt.	Sophia Speiser	Westmoreland	1st	"
" 31	"	Eva M. Morell	"	18	"	St. Sylvere, Ca.	Azro B. Skinner	Ilinsdale	2d	Rev. D. A. Ryan Keene
" 31	"	George A. Warner	"	19	Clerk	Keene	Sophia C. Wellman	Ireland	2d	"
" 31	"	Florence V. Parkhurst	"	18	"	Surry	John Riordon	"	1st	Rev. A. H. Wheel-Keene
" 31	"	Frank L. Blake	"	23	Brakeman	Chicopee, Ms.	Mary Casey	"	1st	"
" 31	"	Mabel F. Thynne	"	26	"	Newport	Edward Pender	"	1st	"
" 31	"	Herman E. Trumbull	"	21	Shoemaker	E. Monkton, Vt.	Bridget Quinn	"	1st	"
" 31	"	Reina Alice Zeno	"	19	"	"	Eli F. Domina	"	1st	"
" 31	"	"	"	"	"	"	Emma Deyo	"	1st	"
" 31	"	"	"	"	"	"	John Morell	"	1st	"
" 31	"	"	"	"	"	"	Regina White	"	1st	"
" 31	"	"	"	"	"	"	John S. Warner	"	1st	"
" 31	"	"	"	"	"	"	Maranda A. Pettis	"	1st	"
" 31	"	"	"	"	"	"	Henry Parkhurst	"	1st	"
" 31	"	"	"	"	"	"	Hein M. Griggs	"	1st	"
" 31	"	"	"	"	"	"	John A. Blake	"	1st	"
" 31	"	"	"	"	"	"	Abbie J. Blake	"	1st	"
" 31	"	"	"	"	"	"	Francis Thynne	"	1st	"
" 31	"	"	"	"	"	"	Mabel White	"	1st	"
" 31	"	"	"	"	"	"	Sam'l Trumbull	"	1st	"
" 31	"	"	"	"	"	"	Nora J. Tilton	"	1st	"
" 31	"	"	"	"	"	"	Peter Zeno	"	1st	"
" 31	"	"	"	"	"	"	Fannie Aikey	"	1st	"

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Aug. 12	Claremont	Milton H. Downing	Keene	40	Lumber dealer	Thornton,	Jacob Downing	Ellsworth	2d	Rev. E. P. Drew Keene
"	"	May E. Tasker	Grafton, Vt.	23		Newport	Priscilla Downing	"	1st	
"	19 Keene	Sven J. Johnson	Keene	40	Shippi'g clerk	Sweden	George H. Tasker	Contoocook	1st	Rev. J. Byers Keene
"	"	Frida Johnson	"	26		"	Johannes Johnson	Sweden	1st	
"	22	Ralph E. Libby	"	23	Electrician	Richmond, Me.	Gustaf Johnson	"	1st	
"	"	Nellie A. Huntley	"	23		Acworth	Anna Anderson	Bethel, Me.	1st	Rev. J. E. Robins Keene
"	29 Worcester	Theron O. Barnes	"	20	Wood worker	Waverley, N. Y.	Edwin A. Libby	Litchfield, Me.	1st	[shall Worchester, Ms.
"	"	Florence H. Barron	"	16		Pipestone, Minn	Jas. C. Huntley	Reading, Vt.	1st	
Sept. 2	Keene	John S. Parker	"	29	factory Mgr. match	Oncida, N. Y.	Annis L. Buck	New York	1st	Rev. B. D. Mar-
"	"	Leona Bolster	"	21		Windsor, Vt.	John Barnes	Concord	1st	Worcester, Ms.
"	7	Arthur G. Blood	New York	23	Nurse	Stoddard	Isaac T. Barron	Stoddard	1st	Rev. A. H. Wheel-
"	"	Anita Kletecka	Boston, Ms.	22		Bohemia	Lizzie Gilson	Vienna, N. Y.	1st	Keene
"	8	Herbert M. Brown	Keene	22	Bookkeeper	Wilmington, Vt.	Geo. V. Parker	Eaton, N. Y.	1st	[er
"	"	Edith G. Martin	"	20		Richmond	Harriette Slocum	Ireland	1st	Rev. A. H. Wheel-
"	9	William M. Thayer	Hinsdale	26	Moulder	Hinsdale	Joseph Bolster	Ware, Ms.	1st	Keene
"	"	Mary E. Morse	Keene	21		Mahannas, N. B.	Ella F. Cantwell	Marlow	1st	[er
							Edwin A. Blood	Stoddard	1st	Rev. A. H. Wheel-
							Elvira M. Wilson	Bohemia	1st	Keene
							Katharine Truhlar	Londonderry, Vt.	1st	Rev. C. B. Elder
							Mills Brown	Corwall, Ct.	1st	Keene
							Hannah Jennings	Richmond	1st	
							Danford Martin	Templeton, Ms.	1st	
							Emma J. Starkey	Vernon, Vt.	1st	Rev. E. P. Drew
							Wm. B. Thayer	Woodstock, Vt.	1st	Keene
							Imogene I. Dodge	Mahannas N. B.	1st	
							Levi W. Morse	Crawford, Me.	1st	
							Margaret A. Lane		1st	

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Sept. 9	Keene	Frank M. Wheeler	Keene	31	Hair dresser	Westmoreland	Francis Wheeler	Henderson, N.Y.	1st	Rev. C. B. Elder
" 15	"	Amy E. Springer	Chesterfield	23		Chesterfield	Martha Bigelow	Whittingham Vt	1st	Keene
" 21	"	Walter G. Barrett	"	39	Farmer	"	Christ'n Springer	Droschka, Ger.	2d	Rev. E. P. Drew
" 26	"	Sarah A. O'Dette	Keene	40		Mt. Holly, Vt.	Ella E. Pierce	Hinsdale	3d	Keene
" 29	"	Arthur G. Carroll	"	20	Machinist	Claremont	George Barrett	Dummerston Vt	1st	Rev. D. A. Ryan
" 30	"	Alice M. Currier	"	18		So. Troy, Vt.	Emily Wilson	Claremont	1st	Keene
" 30	"	Joseph L. Herbert	Gardner, Ms.	30	Chair maker	W. Boylston, Ms	Elcazer Lawrence	Franklin, Vt.	1st	[J. P.
" 29	"	Alice Eley	E. Templeton	22		[N. Y.	Margaret Oliver	Sheldon, Vt.	1st	F. H. Whitcomb,
" 30	"	William L. Webber	Keene	33	Musician	Poughkeepsie,	Lewis Herbert	Montreal, P. Q.	1st	Keene
" 30	"	Blanche M. Hubbard	"	21		Dummerston Vt	Zoe Carboneau	London, Eng.	1st	Rev. C. B. Elder
" 30	"	William N. Graves	"	31	Shoe shop opr	West Swanzey	John Eley	Calais, Vt.	1st	Keene
" 30	"	Eunice Jennie Pettee	"	33		Rutland, Vt.	Sarah A. Proverbs	Richmond, Ca.	2d	Rev. C. B. Elder
" 30	"	William F. Pepper	"	21	Machinist	So. Boston, Ms.	Moses D. Webber	New York	2d	Keene
" 26	Gilsum	Eva B. Foss	"	20		Keene	Susan Bancroft	Keene	1st	Rev. D. A. Ryan
" 26	Gilsum	Clifford E. Barrus	"	25	Paill turner	W. Swanzey	Gideon Hubbard	London, Eng.	1st	Keene
" 26	Gilsum	Gertrude M. Britton	"	22		Alstead	Mary L. Monkton	Newfoundland	1st	Rev. A. W. Field
							Fayette Graves	Buffalo, N. Y.	1st	Gilsum
							Emma Green	Keene	1st	
							Sophia Bishop	Keene	1st	
							Fred J. Pepper	London, Eng.	1st	
							Eugene A. Foss	Newfoundland	1st	
							Ella Abbott	Keene	1st	
							John H. Barrus	Fitzwilliam	1st	
							Martha Wheelock	W. Swanzey	1st	
							Charles F. Britton	Alstead	1st	
							Esther M. Cater	"	1st	

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Oct. 7	Keene	Edward L. King	Keene	24	Clerk	Langdon	Edward M. King	Alstead	1st	Rev. W. A. Hadley Keene
"	"	Gertrude Buckminster	Roxbury	21	[op. Woolen mill]	Keene	Rosella B. Smith	Langdon	1st	
"	"	Thomas C. Dailey	Keene	38	Woolen mill	Uxbridge, Ms.	Emma H. Phillips	Nelson	1st	Rev. D. A. Ryan Keene
"	"	Catharine A. Sullivan	"	35		Lewiston, Me.	Jas. W. Dailey	Massachusetts	1st	
"	"	Warren H. Fassett	"	23	Clerk	Swansey	Owen Sullivan	Ireland	1st	
"	"	Amy A. Griffith	"	22		Keene	Ellen Drew	"	1st	Rev. C. B. Elder Keene
"	Marlboro	S. H. McColister	Marlboro	76	Clergyman	Marlboro	Mary Cummings	Winchester	1st	
"	"	Emma Jane Parker	Keene	52		Grafton, Ms.	Joseph E. Griffith	Keene	1st	Rev. C. B. Elder Keene
"	Hinsdale	George W. Scripture	"	24	City driver	Surry	Ella McCummings	Winchester	1st	
"	"	Bertha L. Morse	Williamsville, [Vt.]	26		Marlboro, Ms.	Silas McColister	Marlboro	2d	Rev. C. McIntire Marlboro
"	Keene	Frank W. Perham	Keene	28	Chair maker	Hinsdale	Achsa Holman	Roxbury	2d	
"	"	Elizabeth G. Marshall	Chesterfield	25	[maker Pattern]	Ogdensburg, NY	Wyman Fay	"	1st	[Roscoe Rev. H. Gertrude Hinsdale
"	"	Albert W. Spaulding	Keene	51		Nelson	Walter Scripture	Nelson	1st	
"	"	Cora E. Roundy	"	45	[agent Insurance]	Alstead	Alice Cram	Keene	2d	Rev. J. E. Robins Keene
"	"	Henry F. Howe	Gardner, Ms.	24		Gardner, Ms.	Geo. W. Davis	Boston, Ms.	1st	Rev. C. B. Elder Keene
"	"	Edith N. Baldwin	Keene	21		Keene	Minnie White	Marlboro, Ms.	1st	Rev. C. B. Elder Keene
"	"						Dustin L. Perham	Hinsdale	1st	
"	"						Maria Knapp	Waterbury, Vt.	1st	
"	"						James W. Marshall	"	1st	
"	"						Emily P. Knights	Nelson	2d	Rev. C. B. Elder Keene
"	"						Sylvester Spaulding	Townsend, Ms.	2d	
"	"						Sarah A. G. Searle	Winchester	2d	
"	"						Hezekiah Willard	Windsor, Vt.	1st	Rev. C. B. Elder Keene
"	"						Sarah F. Babcock	Westminster, Ms.	1st	
"	"						Volley W. Howe	Gardner, Ms.	1st	
"	"						Mary T. Hill	Hancock	1st	
"	"						Frank H. Baldwin	Antrim	1st	
"	"						Fanny Nesmith	"	1st	

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Nov. 21	Keene	Charles A. Millieu	Keene	20	Sawyer	Keene	Chas. Millien Lucie Joly	Burlington, Vt. B'dwinsville, Me.	1st	Rev. D. A. Ryan Keene
" 25		Madarise Blanchard	"	17		Walpole	Joseph Blanchard Mada'ie LaBonty	" Canada	1st	
" 25		Alvan B. Stearns	"	35	Shoe maker	Roxbury, Ms.	Benj. B. Stearns Cordelia Martin	Buffalo, N. Y. "	1st	Rev. D. A. Ryan Keene
" 25	"	Mary Driscoll	"	33		Boston, Ms.	Hugh Coleman Mary Flarity	Charlest'wn, Ms. Boston, Ms.	2d	
" 26	"	Michael B. Breen	"	29	Pail turner	Keene	Patrick Breen Ellen Hanley	Ireland "	1st	Rev. D. A. Ryan Keene
" 26	"	Catherine A. O'Brien	"	29		Ireland	Jeremiah O'Brien Catherine	" "	1st	
" 26	"	Fred Roundy	"	43	Carpenter	Gilsum	David A. Roundy Sasan Morse	Gilsum Sullivan	2d	Rev. J. Walther Keene
" 26	Boston, Ms.	Marion E. Bishop	"	29		Nova Scotia	Wm. H. Bishop Elizabeth Porter	Nova Scotia Machias, Me.	2d	
" 26		Edw. E. Whitcomb	"	41	Tailor	Keene	E. G. Whitcomb Salome Newcomb	Swanzy Roxbury	1st	Rev. D. C. Hinton Boston, Ms.
" 26		Grace G. Jebb	"	24		Newport	Wm. H. Jebb Geneva Ball	Canada Winchester	1st	

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DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE CITY OF KEENE, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 1903.

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.		Place of Birth.	Sex and Condition.	Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
		Years.	Months.	Days.		Father.	Mother.		
Oct. 12 1871.	Agnes Patten	8	10	Keene	F	Ireland	Ireland	Christopher Patten	Bridget Rigney
Oct. 12 1872.	Agnes Patten	4	23	"	F	"	"	Christopher Patten	Bridget Rigney
Sept. 9 1874.	Emma Patten	4	2	"	M	"	"	Christopher Patten	Bridget Rigney
Aug. 21 1876.	James Patten	3	6	"	F	"	"	Christopher Patten	Bridget Rigney
Jan. 14 1877.	Annie Patten	6	26	"	M	"	"	Christopher Patten	Bridget Rigney
June 12 1884.	James Patten	5	3	Southville, Ms.	M	Charlestown	Southville, Ms.	John W. Patten	Katherine
Aug. 17 1902.	Wm. Robert Patten	79			M				
Dec. 1	Eliza E. Cram	48	10	Erverness, N. Y.	F	Lebanon	Chichester	Chas. H. Longley	Phoebe Jenness
"	Wilma H. Wilkins	6		Keene	F	Ireland	Keene	Patrick Sweeney	Ina E. Price
"	Mary E. Sweeney	9			F	Swanzy	"	Bert H. Greene	Minnie Banyea
"	Greene	26	5	Winchester	M	Wallingford, Ct.	Burlington, Vt.	Eliza Ayer	Margaret Grady
"	Lottie M. Ayer	11	2		M				
"	Daniel Enright	11	6		M				
"	John Carrigan	12			M				
"	Alice M. Britton	16	85	Ireland	F	Westmoreland	Westmoreland	Joseph Shelley	Betsey M. Balch
"	Holbrook	24	45	Keene	M	Swanzy	Rutland, Vt.	Fred B. Holbrook	Della S. Caswell
"	Barrett	27	1 1/2	"	M	Boston	Keene	John Barrett	Catherine O'Connor
"	Timothy Ryan	87		Ireland	M	Ireland	Ireland		
1903.									
Jan. 6	Nina B. Beauregard	27	4	Saxtons River, Vt.	F	Londonderry, Vt.	Keene	Loren J. Derby	Lottie B. Bates
"	Henry Griffith	70		Swanzy	M	Swanzy	Swanzy	Samuel Griffith	Mahala Grimes
"	Nims	10		Keene	M	Keene	Keene	Sidney A. Nims	Annie M. Gurnsey
"	Nims	10		"	M	"	"	Sidney A. Nims	Annie M. Gurnsey
"	William H. Thorning	64	10	Claremont	M			Frederick Thorning	
"	Elizabeth K. Drown	76	7	Keene	F	Keene	Keene	Abijah Kingsbury	Abigail Wilder

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Jan. 16	Betsy B. Pratt	68	9	13	Epsom	F	M	Epsom	Epsom	David Osgood	Lydia White
" 18	Mary S. Sargeant	80	8	27	Canada	F	W	Canada	Canada	Peter Stone	Elizabeth Vearley
" 20	Barthelemi Aubin	71	8	6	Charlotte, Vt.	M	M	France	Charlotte, Vt.	Sumner Wheeler	Catherine Vose
" 22	Henry B. Stone	66	6	6	Keene	F	S	Marlboro	Boston, Ms.	Michael Mackey	Amelia Meek
" 24	Mary B. Wheeler	61	6	11	"	F	W	Nova Scotia	"	William Shea	Katherine Higgins
" 24	Blanche Baker	24	7	11	"	F	S	Keene	"	Asa Griffin	Chloe Marsh
" 28	Katherine E. Shea	65	5	7	Walpole	F	W	Surry	Ireland	Christopher Patten	Catherine Moriarty
" 29	Emily E. Tyler	76	5	5	Ireland	M	M	Ireland	Dana, Ms.	Justice Wood	Lucetta Amnsden
" 29	Christopher Patten	76	5	25	Dana, Ms.	F	M	Dana, Ms.	"	John Chamberlain	Martha Richardson
" 29	Lucinda F. Baker	75	9	26	Enfield	F	M	Nelson	Sullivan	L. N. Wardwell	Lodice Wardwell
" 30	Anne B. Harding	66	3	13	Sullivan	M	W	Vermont	Vermont	David Hatch	Olive Gage
Feb. 3	Amos N. Wardwell	69	6	3	Vermont	F	M	Vermont	Vermont	Lewis Howe	Laura Smith
" 3	Maria P. Bennett	67	9	14	Springfield, Vt.	F	W	Surry	Grafton	Samuel McCurdy	Elizabeth Elvage
" 4	Franklin L. Howe	66	9	14	Springfield, Vt.	M	W	Surry	Cambridge, Eng.	Wm. M. Gilbo	Hannah Walsh
" 4	Sarah M. Colony	77	11	9	Chesterfield	F	S	Scotland	Ireland	Aaron Bolster	Betsy Gerry
" 7	Josephine Gilbo	1	4	16	Keene	F	S	London	Keene	John Casista	Octavie Leblanc
" 8	Almon Bolster	76	3	23	Jaffrey	M	M	Highgate, Vt.	Stirling, Ms.	Joseph Leblanc	Margaret Forest
" 12	— Casista	76	3	23	Jaffrey	M	S	Canada	Canada	John F. Gregoire	Mary N. Lapointe
" 12	Alice Deslets	64	11	2	St. Gregoire, P. Q.	F	W	Keene	Harrisville	Warren Briggs	Eliza Barnett
" 13	Dominique J. Gregoire	68	3	27	Keene	M	S	Keene	Wapole	John Wilson	Marg't Bartholom'w
" 16	Frances E. Grimes	68	7	28	"	F	W	Keene	Dresden, N. Y.	Geo. W. Sturtevant	Frances W. Kilborn
" 16	Lavina D. Bradford	81	2	7	Whitehall, N. Y.	F	F	Whitehall, N. Y.	Littleton	Chas. Colclster	Lucy White
" 20	Albert F. Wilson	81	2	6	Keene	M	S	Keene	Marlboro	Nathaniel Joslin	Anna Thompson
" 24	Ellen M. Sturtevant	89	10	6	Marlboro	F	W	Marlboro	Gilsim	Aaron Reed	Mary Wilson
Mar. 1	Harriet S. Ellenwood	81	9	6	Stoddard	F	M	Stoddard	Keene	Joseph Reynolds	Sarah Williams
" 3	Nancy J. Woodbury	66	8	14	Keene	F	M	Swanzy	No. Wales, Eng.	John R. Hughes	Mary Baker
" 3	Geo. F. Reed	68	8	14	Keene	M	W	Swanzy	No. Wales, Eng.	Thos. B. Flint	
" 5	Eli W. Reynolds	95	3	22	Peasam, Ms.	F	F	No. Wales, Eng.	No. Wales, Eng.		
" 5	Ellen Bartholomew	35	3	22	Fair Haven, Vt.	F	F	No. Wales, Eng.	No. Wales, Eng.		
" 6	Cynthia C. Harris	77	4	7	Nelson	F	W	Nelson	No. Wales, Eng.		

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Mar. 8	Johannia Riordon	70		Ireland	F	M	Rutland, Ms	Dummerston, Vt.	Asa Davis	Lydia Laughton
" 8	John L. Davis	93	1	Hancock	M	M	Dublin	Nelson	Oliver Stone	Charlotte Kittredge
" 9	Ursula Stone Burpee	72	7	Nelson	F	M	Maine	New Brunswick	Edward Morse	Harriette Knight
" 11	James F. Morse	50	7	N. Brunswick	M	M	Winchester	Winchester	Stephen Hawkins	Mary Miles
" 11	Emeline H. Bond	70	5	Ashuelot	F	W				
" 11	Arthur A. Alexander	34	7	Nelson	M	M		Nelson	Pius N. Burnap	Sally Whitney
" 11	George Burnap	84	7	Nelson	M	M			John Daine	Sarah Livingston
" 14	Maria C. Gould	90	7	Bethel, Vt.	F	M			Osgood W. Upham	Anne I. Dyer
" 14	Edwin O. Upham	43	10	Melrose, Ms.	F	W	Melrose, Ms.	Provinc't'wn, Ms	Abigail Kingsbury	Abigail Wilder
" 14	Sarah K. Rising	80	6	Keene	F	W			J. B. Lamoureux	Lesimas Girouard
" 15	Jean B. Lamoureux	48	10	Goshen, N. Y.	M	S	St. Barnabe, P.Q.	Nashua	Peter Cushins	Emily
" 15	Caroline Trombley	70	1		F	W	New York	New York	Stephen Johnson	Content Wightman
" 18	Eliza A. Holbrook	70	14		F	W	Walpole	Walpole	Chester Ingram	
" 19	Cordelia D. Pierce	64	10	Williamsville, Vt.	F	M		Ireland	John C. Barry	Bridget Magner
" 20	John M. Barry	57	2	Ireland	M	M	Rutland, Ms.	Swanzy	Joseph Reed	Maria Read
" 20	Mason Reed	76	7	Rutland, Ms.	M	M		Wendell, Ms.	Martin Moore	Beulah Fish
" 22	Cleason F. Moore	82	1	Leverett, Ms.	M	M	Leverett, Ms.	Chesterfield	Francis A. Faulkner	Caroline Handerson
" 26	Francis C. Faulkner	50	4	Keene	M	M	Canada	Canada	Jean Bergeron	Maria Martel
" 27	Willie Bergeron	1	7		M	S			Alexis Benoit	— Dubois
" 27	Philomene Loiselle	66	2	Canada	F	W				
" 28	Infant	1	11	Keene ?	F	W				
" 30	William Rice	81	9	Stoddard	F	S		Barre, Ms.	Benj. Rice	Betsey Oliver
" 31	Maria Monroe Clark	87	3	Shrewsbury, Ms.	F	M	Rutland, Ms.	Hopkinton, Ms.	Dana Monroe	Parnelia Townsend
" 18	— Higgins	18	3	Keene	F	S	Cornish	Cornish	Austin C. Higgins	Lena E. Kempton
" 31	Mary M. Parker	68	1	Nelson	F	S	Nelson	Nelson	Eli Buxton	Almira Belding
Apr. 2	Esther E. Norbeck	60	2	Keene	F	S	Sweden	Chicago, Ill.	Nels T. Norbeck	Emily Swenson
" 3	Alonzo H. Chase	20	21		M	F				
" 7	Sarah W. Parker	78	10	Antrim	F	W	Wilton		Daniel Holt	Hannah Green
" 13	Earl L. Jennison	3	9	Keene	M	S	Walpole	P. Edwards Is.	Elmore W. Jennison	Emily J. Curtis
" 14	Henry O. Pond	36	21	"	M	M	Keene	Hubbardston Ms	Albert E. Pond	Eliza A. Stone

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Apr. 16	Frank J. Burt	61	1	29	Winchester	M	W	Windsor, Vt.	Plainfield	J. F. Burt	Flora Read
" 18	Fanny M. Snow	75	10	19	Cornish	F	F	Batiscan, Ca.	Batiscan, Ca.	George Marcy	M. Beausard
" 20	Mario L. Massicotte	49	6	13	Batiscan, P. Q.	F	F	Ringtown, Pa.	Virginia	Joseph Proteau	Catherine Smartz
" 22	Elizabeth B. Bringer	91	4	9	Ringtown, Pa.	F	F	Surry	Charlestown	Martin Lindworth	Julia F. Morton
" 25	George W. Field	60			Surry	M	M	Sharon, Vt.	Maine	Jona R. Field	
" 26	James E. Moore	49	4	18	Ireland	M	M	Ireland	Ireland	James A. Moore	Mary Brown
" 27	Ellen H. Burns	78	7	11	Ireland	F	F			Maurice Harmon	
" 27	Giovanno Alberico	25				M	M				
" 28	Narcisse Richards	68	11	13	Canada	M	M				
" 28	Andrew J. Aldrich	73	5	15	Troy	M	M	Hyde Park, Ms.	Hyde Park, Ms.	Fisher Bullard	Rhoda Clark
" 30	Marcus Bullard	82	5	20	Swanzy	M	M	"	"	Donald S. Cummings	Hattie J. Hamblit
May 2	— Cummings				Keene	F	F	Roxbury	Saranac, N. Y.	Samuel Crotto	Louise M. Nison
" 2	Geo. Elmore Crotto				"	M	M	Dublin	Cavendish, Vt.	Hartly D. Mason	Eliza Bean
" 4	Remains of infant				"	M	M	Kennebunkp't Me	Roxbury	Horace Starkey	Candace Mason
" 5	William H. Mason	33			Marlboro	F	F	Keene	Keene	Richard Sipson	Alice Ellis
" 7	Ann Taylor	70	3	28	Keene	F	F	Keene	Charlton, Ms.	Selah Lovejoy	Miriam Heyward
" 7	— Sipson				"	M	M	Keene	Charlton, Ms.	Barzilla Richardson	Lydia Foster
" 8	Sarah A. Lovejoy	66	10	18	Rindge	F	F	Keene	Rhode Island	Samuel Dunbar	Polly Willard
" 9	Barzilla Richardson	70	3	2	Keene	M	M	Richmond	Jaffrey	Geo. Handy	Ruth Esty
" 10	John D. Dunbar	80	11	20	Charlton, Ms.	M	M	New York	Swanzy	Nathaniel Worcester	Lucy Fay
" 10	Polly Dallon	93	3	2	Richmond	F	F	Dublin	Marlboro	Stephen S. Mason	Marguerite Abbott
" 10	Charles Worcester	89	5	16	Stoddard	M	M	Scotland	Cornith, Vt.	John R. McPherson	Lacy A. Colletter
" 11	Eleanora Schellinger	91	2	12	Keene	F	F	Richmond	Richmond	Edward Winchester	Ethelyn Taplin
" 11	Hartly D. Mason	55	9	18	Dublin	M	M	Surry	Whitefield	Calvin Bryant	Mary Foster
" 12	Ernest McPherson				Keene	M	M			Henry M. Blake	Susannah
" 13	Emerson Winchester	58	1	4	Gilsum	M	M			Joseph Mason	Harriet Ormsby
" 15	Eliza A. Foster	74	5	15	Richmond, N. Y.	F	F				
" 17	Ralph E. Blake	72	2	6	Keene	M	M				
" 20	George O. Mason	84	7	25	Walpole	M	M				

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May 20	Lewis E. L. Ellis	16	4	Keene Ireland	M	S	Keene Ireland	Providence, R. I. Ireland	Henry Ellis	Louisa E. Campbell
"	Ellen Sweeney	78		"	F	W	"	"	"	"
"	Julia Van Ness	66	27	Canada	F	M	"	"	John Mahogany	— Russell
"	Edward Mahogany	61	7 12	Sanderland, Ms.	M	M	"	"	Patrick Whelton	Margaret Driscoll
"	Michael J. Whelton	33	7	"	M	M	"	"	Arthur T. Fish	Genye Perham
"	— Fish			"	M	M	"	"	Joseph St. George	Margaret Harper
June	Sarah M. Pageot	69		"	M	M	"	"	Roswell Sartwell	Esther M. Hand
"	Ann Keefe	80	11	Canada	F	W	"	"	David Jordan	Margaret
"	Helen M. Munsell	55	4	England	F	S	"	"	Allen Cameron	Eliza Schutt
"	Daniel E. Jordan	48	1	Swanzy	F	W	"	"	John S. Diamond	Octavia Davis
"	Charlotte Empey	64	10	Keene	F	W	"	"	Benj. F. Whipple	Sybil R. Goodrich
"	John D. Diamond	81	10	Oldtown, P. Q.	M	M	"	"	Crosby A. Mason	Emily F. Carter
"	Engene A. Whipple	10	5	Peterboro, Ms.	M	M	"	"	Irving Curtis	Ellen Hall
"	Frank A. Mason	70	10	Boston, Ms.	M	M	"	"	John Hurd	Feris Hutchins
"	Curtis	35	6	"	M	S	"	"	John Laramay	Julia Lower
"	Geo. Frederick Hurd	68	5	Keene	M	S	"	"	C. L. Goodwin	Martha Jane
"	Earie Laramey	12	11	Charlestown, Ms.	M	S	"	"	Antonia Bushey	Angeline
"	Sylvia E. Goodwin	36	11	"	F	M	"	"	Dean S. R. Sharman	Almira E. Huntley
"	Adine Bergeron	40	5	Iowa	F	M	"	"	George A. Smith	Georgianna Holden
"	Millie R. Sharman	26	10	Canada	F	M	"	"	Jona Robinson	Elvira Shaw
July	Geo. S. Brewer	74	26	"	M	S	"	"	Nat'l Batchelder	— Trask
"	Florence M. Smith	21	1	Keene	F	S	"	"	Seth Maynard	Mary A. Nickerson
"	Louisa M. Robinson	76	6	Surry	F	S	"	"	Michael White	Bridget O'Dowd
"	Alfred T. Batchelder	59	4	Surry	M	M	"	"	"	"
"	Webster Maynard	65	6	Sunapee	M	M	"	"	"	"
"	Mary Finn	69	25	Winchendon, Ms.	F	W	"	"	"	"
"	Patrick Donovan	68	4	Ireland	M	W	"	"	"	"
"	Elia D. Wallace	51	1	"	F	W	"	"	"	"
"	Sarah S. Parker	74	1	Marlboro	F	M	"	"	Darius Richardson	Ruth T. Woodward
"	Louis Castor	85		Canada	M	M	"	"	Jacob Chase	"
"	"	"	"	"	F	M	"	"	Freeman Castor	"

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July 26	Margaret Casey	62		22 Claremont	F	M	Ireland	Ireland	Aaron Davis	Rebecca Nourse
" 30	Francis Davis	79	10	" Keene	M	M	Warwick, Ms.	Keene	George A. Warner	Florence Parkhurst
" 31	— Warner		3	"	M	S	Keene	"	Fred A. Hopkins	Lizzie B. Euber
Aug. 3	Ralph T. Hopkins	2	7	Providence, R. I.	M	S	Springfield, Vt.	Lincoln, Vt.	Ephraim Kendall	Melvina H. Parks
" 8	Sarah E. Kendall	60	27	Franconia	F	S	Keene	Winchendon, Ms.	Abigail Kingsbury	Abigail Wilder
" 8	Mary K. Parker	87	9	Keene	F	W	Keene	Keene	Philander Cuttins	Kasia Hudson
" 8	Philinda E. Pike	73	27	Croydon	F	W	Croydon	Goshen	Martin Holleran	Margaret Barry
" 11	Margaret Shannon	65		Ireland	F	W	Ireland	Ireland	George Wagner	Catherine Riley
" 16	Mary B. Wagner	22	10	Keene	F	S	Alsace, Ger.	"	William P. Carr	Katharine Cullinane
" 17	— Carr		16	"	F	S	Stoddard	Bangor, Me.	William P. Carr	Katharine Cullinane
" 17	— Carr			"	F	S	"	"	"	"
1875.					F	S	Winchester	Barnard, Vt.	Frank A. Russell	Emma L. Page
Apr. 30	Hattie A. Russell	10	25	Surry	F	S	"	"	Francis Roach	Annie Callahan
1903.					M	W	Ireland	Ireland	Timothy Glynn	Mary Cummings
Aug. 16	Tobias Roach	81	17	Ireland	M	S	"	"	John Humphrey	Mary Putnam
" 21	George E. Glynn	17	10	Rutland, Vt.	M	W	"	"	Jas. C. Cheever	Elvira Livermore
" 24	John Humphrey	68	10	Lyndon, Vt.	M	M	Princeton, Ms.	Greenfield, Ms.	"	"
" 27	William L. Cheever	75	6	Alstead	M	M	"	Alstead	"	"
" 30	George W. Blanchard	72	7	"	M	M	"	"	"	"
Sept. 1	Henry O. Dudley	77		"	M	M	"	"	"	"
" 2	Maria B. Perry	77	8	Swanzy	F	W	Marlboro	Fitzwilliam	Calvin Bemis	Deborah Brewer
" 2	Abbie S. Kenney	70	4	Brattleboro, Vt.	F	W	Brattleboro, Vt.	Brattleboro, Vt.	Samuel O'Connor	Phebe Akley
" 2	Annie E. Whalen	18	12	Harrisville	F	S	Ireland	Ireland	Patrick Whalen	Ann Winn
" 7	— Hebert	7	11	"	F	S	St. Celestin, P. Q.	St. Celestin, P. Q.	Alcide Hebert	Armeline Elie
" 7	Ralph H. Myers	8		"	F	S	"	"	"	Louisa Myers
" 7	Amy H. Merton	54		New Haven, Ct.	F	M	"	"	Luther —	Lydia Willard
" 12	Theodore H. Bolio	73		"	F	M	"	"	"	"
" 15	Ellen C. Buckminster	44	7	Westmoreland	F	M	Westmoreland	Westmoreland	John A. Chamberlain	Almira A. French
" 15	Allen R. Mansfield	68	4	Hinsdale	F	M	Templeton, Ms.	Templeton, Ms.	Nathan Sprague	Sarah Andrews
" 20	Horace G. Gates	61	15	St. Johnsbur, Vt.	M	M	Acworth	St. Johnsbur, Vt.	John Gates	Betsey Ayers

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Sept. 22	Asahel W. Dunton	76	10	20 Fitzwilliam	M	W	Fitzwilliam	Athol, Ms.	Abel Dunton	Ruth Phillips
"	24 Mark W. Barron	45		14 Brattleboro, Vt.	M	M	Alstead	Quebec	Jonathan B. Barron	Maria B. Hogan
"	26 Winnie Robbins	21	4	5 Winchester	M	M	Chesterfield	Brandon, Vt.	Edgar N. Robbins	Elmira Whittemore
"	26 Sumner Knight	85	5	20 Stoddard	M	S	Leominster, Ms.	Stoddard	Joseph Knight	Roxanna Pitcher
"	29 Dallas M. Pollard	59		20 Plymouth, Vt.	M	M	Plymouth, Vt.	Reading, Vt.	Roland Pollard	Marian Pollard
Oct. 2	— Gearing			Keene	M	M	New Haven, Eng.	Kent, Eng.	Chas. Gearing	Ada L. Ashendon
"	2 Lyman A. Powers	73	8	9 Montague, Ms.	M	W	Northampt'n, Ms	Westmoreland	Noah E. Powers	Diantha Humes
"	3 Nathan P. Rice	76	10	14 Dover, Vt.	M	W	Canada	Canada	Luke K. Rice	Lydia Haskell
"	5 Mabel Bergeron	2	5	Keene	F	S	Ireland	Ireland	Edmond Bergeron	Victorine Piche
"	13 Thos. J. Cunningham	37			M	W	Fairview, Penn.	"	Park Cunningham	Catherine Devine
"	14 Harriet A. Pierce	65	10	14 Uxbridge, Ms.	F	F	Ireland	"	Daniel Deets	Harriet —
"	15 Mary Donovan	47	11	1 Ireland	F	W	Langdon	Langdon	Jerc. Ragan	Catherine —
"	18 Betsey Smith	78		1 Bristol, Vt.	F	W	Langdon	"	John Richard	Mary Wilson
"	21 Mary L. Baber	66	3	3 Whitcail, N. Y.	F	W	Langdon	"	John H. Mark	Mary —
"	23 Mary S. Pekey	54	8	6 Marlboro	F	W	Surry	Marlboro	Eli Dort	Caroline Cummings
"	25 Eliza Almira Irish	56	6	24 Keene	M	M	Keene	Rindge	Joseph Brown	Sylvia Emerson
"	26 Daniel A. Brown	66	4	26 Keene	M	M	Ireland	Ireland	Daniel Finn	Mary White
"	28 James A. Finn	32	7	19 " "	M	M	Amherst	Brattleboro Vt.	Erastus Dickinson	Sophia Sargeant
"	30 Sophia C. Pierce	80	3	23 Hinsdale	F	W	Ireland	Ireland	Edward Lajennesse	Catherine Dallaire
"	31 Johanna Tucker	68	10	6 Ireland	F	S	Canada	Canada	Frank W. Wellington	Elizabeth Avery
Nov. 5	Isaie Lajennesse	59	6	8 St. Laurent, P. Q.	M	W	Keene	Keene	Thos. L. Woodward	Amanda M. Stone
"	12 — Wellington			Keene	M	S	Keene	"	Ichabod N. Wardwell	Lodice Wardwell
"	12 — Wellington			Keene	M	S	Keene	"	Patrick McGee	Margaret Morrison
"	16 Thos. N. Woodward	59	4	16 Hubbardston, Ms.	M	S	Marlboro	Hubbardst'n, Ms	Chester Nims	Cynthia M. Wilder
"	18 Sarah W. Nims	64	11	23 Keene	F	W	Nelson	Sullivan	James Gemmell	Mary Willson
"	24 Isabel M. O'Connell	27	2	10 Keene	F	M	Ireland	Ireland	Daniel Dulohary	Catherine Reagan
"	25 William F. Nims	44	1	14 Howick, Scot.	M	M	Keene	Leominster, Ms.		
"	25 James Gemmell	47	1	14 Howick, Scot.	M	M	Keene	Ireland		
"	26 Elizabeth Kepple	85			F	W	Ireland	Ireland		
"	27 George W. Vaughn	56	2	6 Union, Me.	M	W	Ireland	Ireland		

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Nov. 27	Sarah S. Elder	90	5	12	Portland, Me.	F	W	England	Portland, Me.	John Powell	Sarah Gustin
" 28	Hazel J. Welch	10				F					
" 28	Nancy A. Ellis	83	11		Stoddard	F	W	Stoddard	Hancock	Jonas Adams	Betsey Davis.

*Single, married or widowed.

I hereby certify that the forgoing transcript of births, marriages and deaths is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

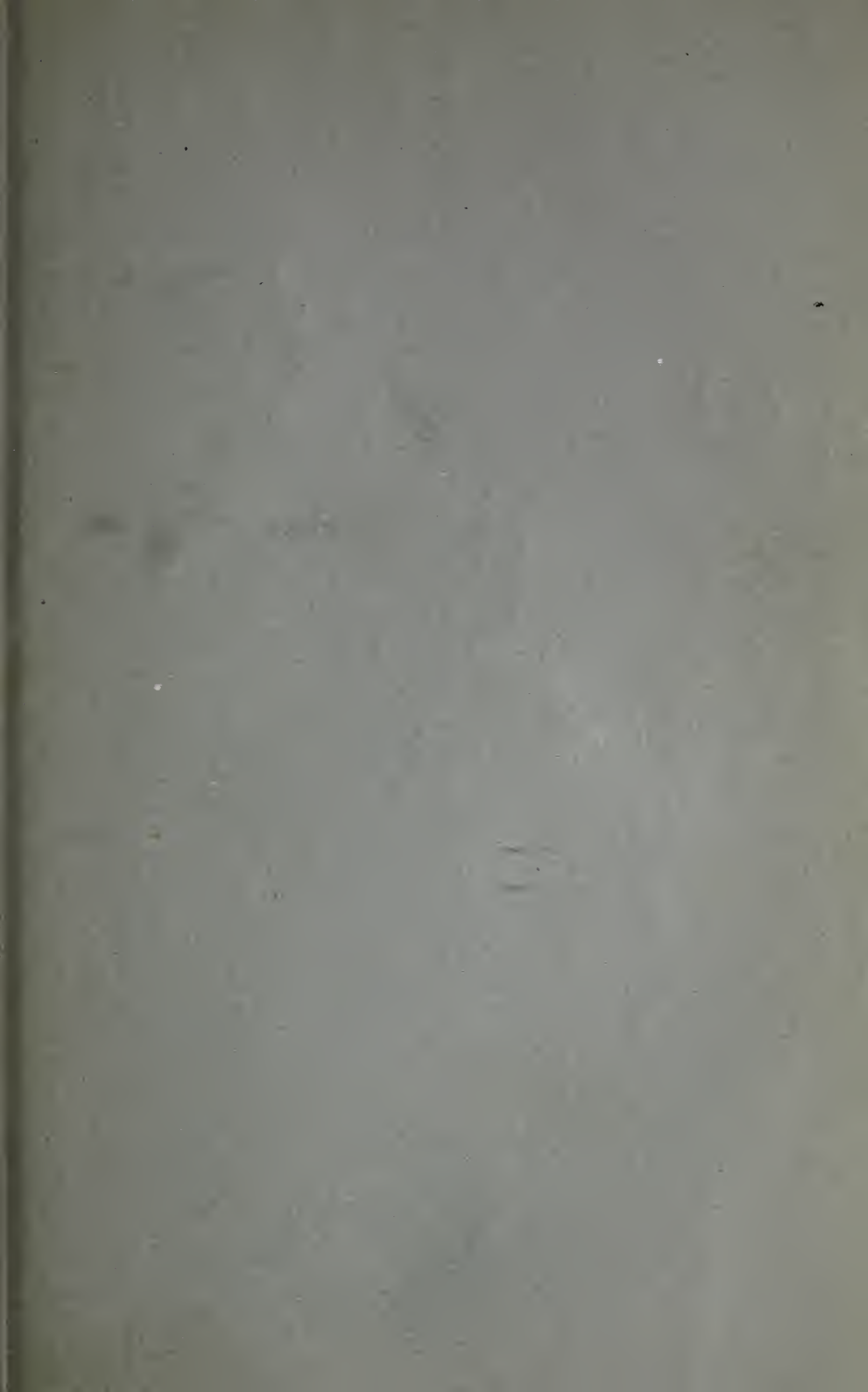
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City Clerk.

Keene, December 10, 1903.

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To persons having claims against the city :

All persons furnishing materials or service for the city should be careful to take the name of the person ordering such materials or service, should enquire against what department the charge should be made, and when there are charges belonging to different departments, *separate bills* should be made, including only charges belonging to each department. All bills must be approved by the person or committee authorizing the charges, and presented for approval of auditor on each Saturday afternoon or evening.

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